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PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL COMPANY.

BOMBAY TO MARSEILLES.—Once a fortnight.
BOMBAY TO BRINDISI & LONDON.—Once a week.

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PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL COMPANY.

PROGRAMME OF DEPARTURES FOR EUROPE.

Vessels.	Tons.	H.P.	Captain.	Leaving Bombay on or about
MALWA	2939	500	G. W. Atkinson	30th Dec.
SIAM	3041	500	H. Weigh-ill	6th Jan.
L. R. VENNA	3172	700	A. B. Daniell	13th ,,
ASIA	3018	500	G. W. F. Browse	20th ,,
P. MARZAPORE	3877	610	R. Harvey	27th ,,
P. M. CATHAY	2145	5-0	M. de Horne	3rd Feb.
R. M. SUTLEJ	4124	903	W. D. Wolcester	10th ,,
MALWA	2940	00	H. Weigheil	17th ,,
P. & O. PESHAWUR	3,900	650	W. A. Wheler	24th ,,
M. L. COROMANDEL	4496	850	L. Reeves	2nd Mar.
P. & O. BALLARAT	4752	900	E. Ashdown	9th ,,
M. L. PEKIN	3907	800	A. A. Seaton	16th ,,
P. & O. BENGAL	4500	800	W. B. Audre-s	23rd ,,
M. L. PEKIN	3907	600	A. Symons	30th ,,
P. & O. CLYDE	4424	800	E. M. Edmond	6th April.
M. L. ROSETTA	3125	700	G. W. Brady	13th ,,
P. & O. GANGES	4196	800	K. Stewart	20th ,,
M. L. SUTLEJ	4124	800	W. D. Worcester	27th ,,
P. & O. PESHAWUR	3900	600	W. A. Wheler	4th May

The steamers marked P proceed to London *viâ* Malta, Gibraltar, and Plymouth. Those marked P. & O. to Brindisi and thence to London, and those marked M. L. to Marseilles and London.

Those vessels proceed to Suez only, passengers transhipping at that port for Marseilles, Brindisi, and London.

† By this vessels passengers for Marseilles transhipped at Suez.

The direct Brindisi steamers will call at Malta, Plymouth, and London, and the direct Marseilles steamers at Gibraltar, Plymouth, and London.

Through Tickets are issued, including Railway Fare from Brindisi to London by the mail route, and names are registered for places in the Sleeping Cars.

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Vessel.	Tons.	H.P.	Captain.	On or about
BENGAL	4500	800	W. B. Andrews	6th Jan.
CLYDE	4424	800	E. M. Edmond	20th ,,
GANGES	4196	800	E. Stewart	3rd Feb.

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Bombay, Dec. 17, 1887.

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SINGAPORE			20th Feb.	10th April.

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ARABIA	J. Laird	3544	480	1st Mar./'88
VICTORIA	W. Russell	3357	480	17th ,,
ASIA	J. Craig	3380	480	31st ,,
BELGRAVIA	G. Boothby	5000	500	14th April
HISPANIA	J. Maor	3380	480	5th May
NUBIA	T. Knox	3551	480	19th ,,
ARABIA	J. Laird	3544	480	31st ,,
VICTORIA	W. Russell	3357	480	16th June

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s. s. KIRBY HALL ,, ,, ... 12th Apl. ,,

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Forms of Tenders with further particulars can be obtained from the above Officer.

JOHN HIBBERT, Lt.-Col.,
Comst. Storekeeper-General.

Comst. Storekeeper-Genl.'s Office, Bombay, 24th December, 1887.

COMMISSARIAT NOTICE.

SEALED TENDERS will be received on TUESDAY, the 3rd proximo, at 1 p.m., by the Commissariat Storekeeper-General for the supply of LIME JUICE, required for Aden, as per Schedule No. 24.

Forms of Tenders with further particulars can be obtained from the above Officer.

JOHN HIBBERT, Lt.-Col.,
Comst. Storekeeper-General.

Comst. Storekeeper Genl.'s Office, Bombay, 24th December, 1887.

COMMISSARIAT NOTICE.

SEALED TENDERS will be received by the Executive Commissariat Officer at Aden up to 11 a.m. (local time), and by the Commissariat Storekeeper-General, Bombay, up to 1 p.m. (local time), of each of the dates fixed against each, for contracts as specified below for 1888-89.

Forms of Tenders and Schedules and all further particulars can be obtained on application at the above Offices.

FOR ADEN COMMISSARIAT.

Aden & Comt. Store-keeper-General, Bombay.	Coal.	Under Schedule No. 3	Tenders to be received on 12th Jan. 1888.
	Rice, Dhall, Toor, Jowaree, Wheat, &c.	Do. No. 17	Do. 23 do.
	Shoeing Comt. Cattle	Do. No. 20	Do. 11 do.
	Oils	Do. No. 23	Do. 23 do.
	Country Medicines, Ghee, &c	Do. No. 25	Do. 23 do.
	Hired Tonnage & Conveyance of coal	Do. No. 5	Do. 22 do

J. M. BOYD, Colonel,
For Commissary-General.

Commissary-General's Office, Bombay, 13th Dec., 1887.

COMMISSARIAT NOTICE.

SEALED TENDERS will be received, on 25th January, 1888, by the Executive Commissariat Officers at Bombay and Karachi, up to 11-30 a.m., and by the other Executive Commissariat Officers, up to noon, for contracts as specified below for 1888-89.

The Tenders for the supply of Bread at Ahmednagar and Deolalee will be received for one and five years.

Forms of Tenders and Schedules and all further particulars can be obtained on application at the above Offices.

Bread, &c. Under Schedule No. 45.
Bombay .....
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Mhow .....
Nusseerabad .....
Neemuch .....
Hydrabad .....
Deesa .....
Ahmedabad .....
Deolalee & Bombay for Deolalee.
Jubbulpore .....
Poona .....
Mhow .....
Nasserabad .....
Neemuch .....
Karachi .....
Deesa .....
Ahmedabad .....

Wheat. Under Schedule No. 46.

Tenders will also be received at Bombay, Deolalee, and Ahmednagar for a five years contract for the supply of Bread at Deolalee and Ahmednagar jointly.

The contractor for the supply of Bread at Ahmednagar for five years, whether separately or jointly, shall have to establish a steam Bakery at that Station.

J. M. BOYD, Colonel,
For Commissary-General.

Commissary-General's Office, Bombay, 14th Dec., 1887.

COMMISSARIAT NOTICE.

SEALED TENDERS and VERBAL OFFERS will be received by the Executive Commissariat Officers at Bombay and Kurrachee, and by the Commissariat Storekeeper-General, Bombay, up to 11-30 a.m., and by the other Executive Commissariat Officers up to noon of each of the dates fixed against each, for contracts as specified below for 1888-89.

Forms of Tenders and Schedules and all further particulars can be obtained on application at the above Offices.

Bombay ..... Poona ..... Ahmednagar ..... Mhow	Shoeing Cattle.	Under Schedule No. 17.	Tenders to be received on 11th Jan. 1888.
Nusseerabad .. Neemuch ..... Kurrachee .... Hyderabad ..	Oils of Sorts and oil Kerosine.	Do. No. 24	Do. 23 do.
	Straw Paddy or Rice.	Do. No. 32	Do. 11 do.
Deesa ..... Ahmedabad ... Jubbulpore ...	Rice, Dhall, Ghee, Salt, &c.	Do. No. 42	Do. 23 do.
	Gram, Barley, Jowaree, &c.	Do. No. 44	Do. 23 do.

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J. M. BOYD, Colonel,
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G. VIDAL,
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Thana, Collector's Office, 23rd Dec. 1887.

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PEARL FISHERY OF 1888.

NOTICE is hereby given that a PEARL FISHERY will take place at Silavattural, in the Island of Ceylon, on or about February 15, 1888. The banks to be fished are the following, viz.:—

First, north part of east side of Cheval, estimated to contain oysters sufficient to employ 100 boats for thirteen days, with average loads of 10,000 oysters each per day.

Second, south part of west side of Cheval, estimated to contain oysters sufficient to employ 100 boats for 20 days, with average loads of 8,000 oysters each per day.

Third, north part of west side of Cheval, estimated to contain oysters sufficient to employ 100 boats or twenty days, with average loads of 10,000 oysters each per day.

Fourth, south part of east side of Cheval, estimated to contain oysters sufficient to employ 100 boats for twenty days' fishing, with average loads of 10,000 oysters each per day. [See statements of valuations below.]

It is therefore recommended that such boat owners and divers as may wish to be employed at the said fishery should be at Silavattural on or before February 12 next; and it is notified that the first day's fishery will take place on or about February 15, if possible.

The fishery will be conducted on account of Government, and the oysters put up to sale in such lots as may be deemed expedient.

The arrangements of the fishery will be same as have been usual on similar occasions.

All payments to be made in ready money in Ceylon currency.

Drafts on the banks in Colombo or bills on the Agents of this Government in India, at ten days' sight, will be taken on letters of credit being produced to warrant the drawing of such drafts or bills.

For the convenience of pearl dealers, the Treasurer at Colombo and the different Government Agents of Provinces will be authorised to receive cash deposits from parties intending to become purchasers, and receipts of these officers will be taken in payment of any sums due on account of the fishery.

No deposit will be received for a less sum than Rs. 250.

By His Excellency's command,
G. T. M. O'BRIEN,
Acting Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Colombo, December 3, 1887.

No. 1.—STATEMENT of the Valuation and Produce of 12,053 Oysters taken from the north part of the east side of Cheval in November, 1887.

Description.	Size in Basket.	No.	Quantity in Chevoe.	Total.		Value.		Total Value.		Per Chevoe.	Per Kalangey.
				K.	M.	K.	M.	Rs.	c.	Rs. c.	
1 Anatharey ...	20	1	0 34/320	0	0 5/16	...		3	7½	... 10 star pagodas	.....
2 Kalippu ...	—	1	0 34/320	0	0 6/16	...		2	9¾	.....	20 star pagodas
3 Kodai ...	—	3	...	0	0 5/16	0	2 2/16	0	24	6 93½	1 do.
4 Kalippu ...	20	3	0 80/320	0	1	0	1	5	25	5 25	6 star pagodas
5 Kalippu ...	50	5	...	0	1	...		3	50	...	20 star pagodas
6 Korowal ...	—	10	...	0	2 2/16	...		5	20½	...	14 do.
7 Peesel ...	—	10	...	0	2 10/16	0	5 12/16	1	88½	10 54½	4 do.
8 Kalippu ...	80	9	...	0	1 6/16	...		3	85	.....	16 do.
9 Korowal ...	—	23	...	0	3 10/16	...		6	34½	.....	10 do.
10 Peesel ...	—	18	...	0	3 2/16	0	8 2/16	2	18½	12 38	4 do.
11 Vadivoe, excluding Madanku	100	...	1 40/320	0	16	2	14	128	29½	128 29½	15 star pagodas
	200	...	0 308/320	1	4						
	400	...	0 114/320	0	14						
	600		2 142/320								
14 Tool	800	...	...	2	11 4/16	2	11 4/16	35	87½	35 87½	..... 4 star pagodas
	1000										
15 Marise tool...	—	...	...	2	12 8/16	2	12 8/16	18	37½	18 37½	..... 2 star pagodas
16 Shell Pearls..	...	...	...	...		8	14 12/16			217 65	.....
						0	2	...		0 35	.....
						8	16 12/16			218 0	

No. 2.—STATEMENT of the Valuation and Produce of Pearls from 12,110 Oysters taken from the south part of the west side of Cheval in November, 1887.

Description.	Size in Basket.	No.	Quantity in Chevoe.	Total.		Value.		Total Value.		Per Chevoe.	Per Kalangey.
				K.	M.	K.	M.	Rs.	c.	Rs. c.	
1 Kalippu ...	30	2	...	0	0½	0	0½	2	6½	2 6½	... 20 star pagodas
2 Koroval ...	50	7	...	0	1½	...		4	20	...	... 16 do.
3 Peesel ...	...	12	...	0	2 2/16	0	3 10/16	1	11½	5 31½	... 3 do.
4 Anatharey ...	80	3	0 20/320	0	0½	.....		4	37½	...	20 star pagodas.
5 Kalippu ...	...	9	...	0	1 16/16	.....		4	81	...	... 20 star pagodas
6 Korowal ...	...	17	...	0	2 9/16	.....		4	48½	...	... 10 do.
7 Peesel ...	...	20	...	0	3 2/16	0	7 9/16	2	18½	15 85½	... 4 do.
8 Vadivoe, excluding Madanku	100	...	1 64/320	0	17	2	15	132	89	132 89	15 star pagodas. ...
	200	...	0 312/320	1	4						
	400	...	0 114/320	0	14						
11 Tool	600	...	2 170/320	2	12 8/16	2	12 8/16	36	75	36 75	... 4 star pagodas
	800		...								
	1000										
12 Marise tool...	...	...	...	2	12	2	12	18	20	18 20	... 2 do.
13 Shell Pearls.	...	...	...	0	2	8	11 7/16	...		211 63½	... ...
						0	2			0 36½	
						8	13 7/16			212 0	

No. 3.—STATEMENT of the Valuation and Produce of 12,180 Oysters taken, from the north part of the west side of Cheval in November, 1887.

Description.	Size in Basket.	No.	Quantity in Chevoe.	Total.		Value.		Total Value.		Per Chevoe.	For Kalangey.
				K.	M.	K.	M.	Rs.	c.	Rs. c.	
1 Peesel ...	20	9	...	0	3 10/16	.....		1	90	...	..... 3 star pagodas
2 Kodai ...	...	1	...	0	0 6/16	0	4	0	6	1 96	..... 1 do.
3 Anatharey .	30	2	0 30/320	0	0 8/16	0	0 8/16	3	94	3 94	12 star pagodas .....
4 Koroval ...	50	5	...	0	1 2/16	.....		3	15	...	..... 16 star pagodas
5 Anatharey .	...	1	0 8/320	0	0 3/16	.....		1	31	...	15 star pagodas .....
6 Kalippu ...	...	9	...	0	1 11/16	.....		5	90½	... ...	20 star pagodas
7 Peesel ...	...	12	...	0	2 8/16	0	5 8/16	1	75	12 11½	..... 4 do.
8 Anie ...	80	6	0 25/320	0	0 13/16	.....		6	82½	...	25 star pagodas .....
9 Kalippu ...	...	15	...	0	2 4/16	.....		7	87½	.....	..... 20 star pagodas
10 Koroval ...	...	12	...	0	1 12/16	.....		3	6	.....	..... 10 do.
11 Peesel ...	...	20	...	0	3 3/16	0	7 15/16	2	18½	19 94½	..... 4 do.
12 Vadivoe, excluding Madanku	100	...	1 72/320	0	17 8/16	2	16	132	89	132 89	15 star pagodas .....
	200	...	294/3204	1	3						
	400	...	124/320	0	15 8/16						
15 Tool	600	...	2 170/320	2	11	2	11	35	70	35 70	..... 4 star pagodas
16 Tool	800		...								
17 Tool	1000										
18 Marise tool.	...	...	...	2	11	2	11	17	85	17 85	... 2 do.
19 Shell Pearls	...	...	...	0	4	8	15 15/16	...		221 40	....
						0	4			4 60	
						8	19 5/16			225 0	

No. 4.—STATEMENT of the Valuation and Produce of 12,060 Oystear taken from the south part of the east side of Cheval in November 1887.

Description.	Size in Basket.	Number.	Quantity in Chevoe.	Total.		Value.		Total Value.		Per Chevoe.	Per Kalangey.
				K.	M.	K.	M.	Rs.	c.	Rs. c.	
1 Masakoe	20		.....	0	1 3/16	.....		3	32½	... ...	16 star pagodas
2 Kalippu	...	1	0 34/320	0	0 6/16	.....		3	71½	..... 10 star pagodas	.....
3 Peesel	...	1	.....	0	0 6/16	0	1 15/16	0	26½	7 30½	4 do.
4 Kalippu	30	1	0 16/320	0	0 4/16	.....		1	75	..... 10 star pagodas	.....
5 Peesel	...	3	.....	0	1	0	1 4/16	0	52½	2 27½	3 do.
6 Anatherey ...	50	1	0 8/320	0	0 3/16	.....		1	40	..... 16 star pagodas	.....
7 Koroval	...	4	.....	0	0 12/16	.....		1	57½	....	12 do.
8 Peesel	...	4	.....	0	0 14/16	.....		0	61½	....	4 do.
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VESSELS ARRIVED.—The following vessels arrived on the 23rd :—Nordan (brig), from Port Natal. On the 24th :—Goa (s), Calcutta ; and Sierra Perima (ship), Cardiff. Yesterday :—Abercarne (ship), from Mauritius ; Stara (s), Hongkong ; and Cathay (s), Suez.

VESSELS SAILED.—The following vessels sailed on the 24th :—Henry Boickow (s), for Persian Gulf ; Lodestar (ship) and Loodiana (s), Calcutta ; Ballaarat (s), China and Australia ; and Swordsman (s), Zanzibar. Yesterday :—Purulia (s), for Gulf and Karachi.

B. B. AND C. I RAILWAY.—The decrease in goods traffic on the B B and C. I. Railway for the week ending 3rd December, 1887, was 145,073 maunds and inmoney Rs. 51,342. The approximate return of traffic for the week ending the 17th instant shows a decrease of Rs. 52,324 in receipts.

THE ALLBLESS LEPERS' HOME.—The Maharajah of Dhurbunga has contributed Rs. 100 to the funds of the above institution. The honorary secretary also acknowledges minor subscriptions amounting to Rs. 143.

EXCURSION IN THE HARBOUR.—Messrs. Cook and Son had organized an afternoon excursion in the harbour on Saturday, which was very fairly attended. The s. s. Rajapuri was chartered for the occasion, and all those on board seemed to enjoy the cruise thoroughly. The Rajapuri left the Apollo Bunder shortly after 4 o'clock, returning at about 7-30 p.m.

SUDDEN DEATH.—A coroner's inquest was held at the morgue, on Sunday last, touching the death of an old Goanese mendicant, named Alvares, aged 60 years. Deceased was suffering from elephantiasis and pains in the heart for some time past, and at about 1 o'clock on Sunday morning he was found lying dead at Pinjrapole Road. The verdict was that the death of the deceased was caused by heart-disease.

FATAL ACCIDENT.—An inquest was held by the coroner, on Sunday last, at Musjid Street, touching the death of Salloo Abbajee, a cart-driver, aged 55 years. On the 14th instant, while driving his cart near Prince's Dock another cart grazed the right heel of the deceased and inflicted a severe wound. He died from its effects at 11 o'clock on Saturday night last. A verdict of accidental death was recorded.

DEATH FROM BURNS.—An inquest was held by the coroner on Sunday last, at DeLima Street, Mazagon, touching the death of a Mahomedan lad, aged 4 years, named Dadameya Shaik Mulling. On Saturday afternoon last the deceased, whilst playing with some matches, had his clothes set on fire, and was severely burnt about his body. He died from its effects on Saturday night. A verdict of accidental death from burns was recorded.

A DARING THEFT.—Inspector Nolan yesterday charged Hiralal Tribhowan, an old offender, before Mr. Ryan with the theft of a gold bracelet. The accused, disguised as a priest, boldly entered the house of a Bania and commenced playing with a little child lying on the floor. As no one was in the room he took off the child a gold bracelet, but as he was removing a pair of massive silver anklets off the feet, he was seen by a servant, who at once arrested him, notwithstanding his garb of sanctity. A policeman took the accused into custody. Having admitted several previous convictions, Mr. Ryan sentenced the accused to two years' hard labour in the House of Correction.

OBITUARY.—Mr. Peter Scott, Manager and Editor of the *Punjab Times*, died on Monday, the 19th instant. This gentleman was well-known in the Punjab. He was formerly Editor of the late *Indian Public Opinion*, Lahore, and was afterwards on the *Civil and Military Gazette* staff, which he left in 1873 to take up the business of contractor, but in this last venture he did not succeed, and resumed his work of writing for the Press.

A MURDEROUS ASSAULT.—On Sunday morning last, at about 7 o'clock, a man named Bindet, of the weaver's caste, and his wife, named RajeeHajuma, were found lying in their room, in a chawl, situated in Cammateepoora 7th Street, with their skulls fractured. The police were called, and they were both removed to the J. J. Hospital, where they are lying in a critical condition. Mr. Ryan, Presidency Magistrate, proceeded to the hospital on Sunday night, and took the deposition of the injured woman, from which it appeared that both the woman and her husband, while asleep, were assaulted by one Oomedi, who was formerly their servant, and who, immediately after committing the assault, absconded. The instrument he used was an iron pestle of about 6 or 7 lbs. in weight. No motive can be at present assigned for his committing the deed. The assailant is still at large, and is being sought for by the police.

THE MAHARAJA OF MYSORE.—On Friday last, the Maharaja of Mysore, who has been sojourning in Bombay for a week, visited the Town Hall, the Secretariat, the Mint, and the Grand Arsenal. His Highness also visited during the day the Fort School of the Parsee Girls' Schools Association, accompanied by Mr. White King, Assistant Resident ; Mr. R. Vajandra Rao, Chief Secretary ; Prince Soobhramania Rajours, his Highness's brother ; and Mr. Hormusjee J. Babha, Principal of the Mysore College. They were received at the school premises by Mr K. Sheshadri Iyer, his Highness's Dewan ; Surgeon-Major and Mrs. McGann ; Mr. C. Menashchya, Government Advocate, and the committee of the school, consisting of Messrs. Sorabjee Shapurjee Bengalee, C.I.E., Dosabhoy Framjee, C. S. I., Framjee Eduljee Dinar, J. C. Cama, Nowrojee Jehangir Gamadia, &c. The girls sang the National Anthem, and some songs and *gurbees*, with which the Maharaja was much pleased, and was presented with a velvet cushion, a fan, and a picture frame.

THE PAREL MURDER.

THE adjourned inquest was resumed on Saturday last by the coroner, at the morgue, Cammateepoora, touching the death of the Mahomedan woman, whose body was found lying in a locked box to the west of the B. B. and C. I. Railway line, off Elphinstone Road Station, on the forenoon of the 24th ultimo, when further evidence was recorded.

Mahomed Khan Wurraam Khan, a Jemadar in the Aden Police, said :—On the 28th of last month my superiors informed me that one Syed Mahomed Gool, Noor Mahomed, his friend, and a child, aged 10 years, daughter of Syed Gool, were expected to arrive by the steamer Wave, and I was ordered to arrest them. The steamer arrived in Aden on the 1st instant, about midnight, and I went on board, found the three persons, and took them and two boxes in custody. The two boxes were examined and sealed by a police inspector in my presence. While Syed Gool was in custody, I took from his bedding a *ruzzai* of the pattern of Exhibit C, and gave it him to sleep on. I brought them to Bombay by the steamer Manilla, which arrived here on the 10th instant. When I took Syed Gool into custody at Aden I found Rs. 7 in his pocket and a ring (Exhibit N) and Rs. 61 in his box. The pair of silver wristlets (Exhibit M) were worn by Syed Gool's daughter. On the 11th instant, when the box of Syed Gool was opened in the office of the Commissioner of Police, at Byculla, the pair of tongs (Exhibit L) was found, and the articles in the bundle (Exhibit P) were also found in the box, including Exhibit J). These were pointed out by Noor Mahomed as belonging to the deceased woman, as well as the copper-pot (Exhibit Q) and the carpet (Exhibit R). The day after the Manilla left Aden, I missed the *ruzzai* that I gave Syed Gool, and have not seen it since. I also found in Syed Gool's pocket, in a purse, two passage tickets (Exhibit O).

Khan Bahadoor Meer Abdool Ali, Superintendent in the Bombay Police, Detective Branch, said :—I now produce a true copy of the deposition of Noor Mahomed Ameer Khan, which was taken before Mr. P. Ryan, Presidency Magistrate, on the 22nd and 23rd instant, in my presence. I obtained it from his Worship for the purpose of this inquiry.

The certified copy of the evidence of Noor Mahomed Ameer Khan, produced by the last witness, was read to the jury, who thereupon returned the following verdict unanimously :—"That the death of the Mahomedan woman was caused on or about the 31st November, 1887, by suffocation caused by a pair of iron tongs, by one Syed Gool Kyroola, under such circumstances that the act of Syed Gool Kyroola was culpable homicide amounting to murder."

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(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

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During the last seventeen years I have become acquainted with many of your families, I have visited most of your villages, and have personal acquaintance with many, if not most, of you matadars. I do not, therefore, come among you to-day as a stranger, but claim to speak to you as a friend. Of your caste generally I know that there is no more sober, industrious, or well-behaved class in India than the Patidars of Gujerat. Your land is fertile ; you are skilful and enterprizing cultivators ; you are self-denying in your personal habits ; and you are not behind-hand in availing yourselves of the educational advantages within your reach. The British Government has for several generations given you security of life and property, and has upheld your honour and influence. Thus your own good qualities and the rule under which you live have alike tended to promote the advancement of your class in knowledge, wealth, and position. Many of you are rich and prosperous. Others are advancing in education, and I am very glad to see increasing numbers in our Government offices ; but I doubt whether, as a class, you have advanced as rapidly as those around you. You all know what is keeping you back, what has had the effect of bringing at least one section of your caste under the grave suspicion of Government, and what is now, in thousands of cases, the cause of anxiety and misery to yourselves, and of injury, present and prospective, to your families and children. Your increasing intelligence shows you more and more clearly the evil of your present system of marriages, and this very knowledge makes the burden of existing custom more and more heavy and galling. I have just come from the Kamlasar taluka, where I found the state of the Patidars very deplorable. The heavy cost of marriages with the Charotur has become unsupportable. Many of the young men are unmarried ; the population is fast decreasing ; land is passing into the possession of the Bohras ; and the Patidars' status and position are rapidly declining. I beg your earnest attention to the present state of your brethren across the Mahi. If I am mistaken in my facts I shall be only too glad to be corrected. If not, you will be very unwise if you neglect the example before you. There was formerly much wasteful extravagance in the marriage customs of the Mahomedan population in Sind, but the good advice of the late Sir B Frere and of Mr. Gibbs prevailed, and rich and poor consented to rules for the reduction of expenditure in their birth, marriage, and funeral ceremonies. But only advice was given by these Government officers in the case I have mentioned, and you must not expect anything more now. It is not the province of Government to interfere in social customs of this sort, nor would Government desire its officers to make use of their own personal influence in matters affecting your domestic concerns. In your case, however, the desire for reform has emanated from yourselves, and the danger is not of improper interference on the part of Government, but of your evading your own responsibilities in the hope of State intervention. Many of you have asked me why Government does not help you in this matter. I must tell you again, as I have always told you, that you must not wait for assistance from the Legislature ; you must look the matter in the face, and help yourselves. In such efforts you will be able to count on our advice and our sympathy, but you must not expect anything more. No one could find fault with your ambition to marry your children into respectable families, but to carry this ambition so far as to shut yourselves out from alliances with your equals and to seek alliances in the high families at a cost absolutely ruinous to yourselves and to your children is an act of folly which only false pride blinds you to such an extent. Some of you have already recognized the foolishness of the system you know of the Churdas, of the Duskoshi villages, and of the Bochasun group to the north of the Mahi. You know that these groups have bound themselves respectively to seek alliances only among themselves, and that the Patidars of all these villages have proved themselves strong enough and resolute enough to do what they know to be right even in the face of the passive opposition caused by your weakness and irresolution. But in many other groups the agreements formerly made, to give and take no dowry, have been evaded or broken, and have fallen into disuse mainly because your caste possesses no Mahajan or Punch or other controlling organization to compel the observance of such. Study the picture I have endeavoured to place before you—that of the two sides of the Mahi. To the south, the gradual downfall of your brethren, owing to their slavish observance of customs, hated by you all except by the few villages which enrich themselves at the expense of your false pride. To the north the last group which, while losing any degree of honour or respect, have shaken themselves free from the bonds of such customs. Discuss the matter again among yourselves. If you think that what I have said to you is wrong, then go on sacrificing your own and your children's independence for the profit of the few Kulia villages. If I am right (and the greater number of you have assured me that I am), then for your own sakes, for the sake of your families position, of your childrens' independence, and of your caste's status, do something, and remember that, whether I am right or wrong, I am actuated by only one motive, namely, your own good. Try, if you can, to come to some agreement among yourselves to-day, and yet do nothing rashly or hurriedly ; above all, if you decide to take some action in the matter, do not be cowardly enough to go back from it. If I can help you, I will meet you again, and as often as you please. One word more as to extravagance at wedding ceremonies. Why should there be all this waste ? It was said that the Mahomedans in Sind, to whom I have already referred, used to spend so much on their weddings that it was with them "one day a feast and the remainder of their lives a continued fast." In justification of such expenditure you cannot even plead the ambition, which prompts you to seek for eligible alliance for your children. If half the sums thus wasted were invested for the future good of your children, they would have cause to bless you. But is it any benefit or profit to them to have the food taken from their mouths to be given to crowds of distant relatives ? These expensive entertainments are simply foolish, unreasonable waste of money which many of you can ill-afford, and which, to your your poorer brethren, mean ruin and misery. I beg of you to consider these things, and if the result of your considerations to-day shall be only a resolve to bring expenditure on marriage ceremonies within the reach of each family's ability, something will have been done for the benefit of your children and your children's children.

THE EFFECTS OF THE DRUNKEN ROW.

AN inquest was held by the coroner, on Saturday last, at the Goculdas Tejpal Hospital, touching the death of Kamal Ameer, aged 26 years. The deceased was addicted to drinking, and kept bad company ; but for the past three years he avoided drink and lived respectably. On Thursday night, at about 9 o'clock, he went into a toddy-shop at Dhobi Gully, near Pydownee, for a match to light a *biddee*, where he saw a Mahomedan, named Burra Goolam, and four other persons drinking toddy. Burra Goolam then asked one of his comrades, named Chota Goolam, to sing a song. In the meantime two other Mahomedans, named Hoosain Shaik Mahomed and Mahomed Abdoola, came in under the influence of liquor and drank toddy. Chota Goolam began to sing, when the deceased asked him why he sung a song that was not good. Chota said that such a song was not wrong, whereupon the deceased called him a *soor*. Chota then left the shop without saying anything. Hoosain asked the deceased what he meant by abusing Chota, and he told him that his father was a *soor*. Deceased said all right, and left the shop. At this time Hoosain asked his comrades, who were in the shop drinking toddy, to come out with him and beat the deceased. They then came out, surrounded him, and pushed him. Deceased left them and came into the shop, and as he was lighting a *biddee*, Burra Goolam and Mahomed Abdoola followed him, seized the deceased from behind, and threw him on a board which held toddy bottles. Another then came in and also gave the deceased two or three slaps on his face. While deceased was lying on the floor Hoosain Shaik Mahomed came into the shop with a cane in his hand and struck him on his head, behind his left ear, and after repeating the blow he struck a lighted kerosine-lamp which got smashed and fell down. The blazing oil fell on the deceased and burnt him all over his body. Hoosain and his comrades then ran away, leaving the deceased in the shop with his clothes on fire. An alarm was raised, a crowd collected, and the deceased was removed to hospital, where he died at half-past 9 o'clock on Friday night. Mr. C. Easdon, the House Surgeon, was of opinion that the deceased died from burns. The wounds on the head had nothing to do with the death of the deceased. The following verdict was recorded :—"That the death of Kamal Ameer was caused by burns which he received by his clothes taking fire in consequence of the breaking of a burning lamp by Hoosain Shaik Mahomed, under such circumstances that the act of Hoosain Shaik Mahomed was a rash and negligent act not amounting to culpable homicide."

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Also from "A. H. U.", a parcel of clothes, and Mrs. J. M. Sleater, fruit and cakes.

THE ELPHINSTONIAN GATHERING AT NARIAD.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

DEC. 24.

THE second gathering of the Elphinstonians came off successfully, in a big tent kindly lent by Messrs. Lallubhai and Tipnis of the Customs Department, on the same evening that their brethren met at Bombay and elsewhere. About twenty Elphinstonians with as many visitors were present, Mr. Javerilal U. Yajnik presiding. Mr. Javerilal, in opening the proceedings, thanked the meeting for the honour done him in asking him to preside at the gathering. The celebration of that day, he said, had become a regular institution in Bombay, and he was glad to see that in response to the call made by their Bombay friends, they had determined to follow out the practice in this remote mofussil town. The fact that there should be found as many as twenty Elphinstonians in the place of whom a fairly good number should claim Nariad as the land of their birth, and that others should be brought together by their different avocations in life, this fact was a proof to him of the growing importance of the town and of the spread of general education. Mr. Javerilal next traced the history of education from the time of the first establishment of the Elphinstone Institution with its school and college departments working together down to the period when the college was presided over by Professors Sir Alexander Grant and Wordsworth. Before the establishment of that institution the work of education, he said, was carried on by the Bombay Education Society. The germs of high education were laid by Mountstuart Elphinstone, the first Scotch Governor of this Presidency, in a minute he wrote in 1824. He was a Bengal Civilian, and was appointed Commissioner for the settlement of the territories acquired from the Peishwa after the battle with Baji Rao and the taking of Poona. No practical effect could be given to Mr. Elphinstone's plan until after his retirement from the Governorship of this Presidency, when in a public meeting of the inhabitants of Bombay, it was resolved to perpetuate his memory by the founding of an institution in his name. Public subscriptions were collected, and Mr Elphinstone was requested, when in England, to select the first Professors. His choice fell upon Messrs. Bell, Henderson, Harkness, and Orlebara, men well-known in Bombay as the pioneers of education. The Bombay Education Society had given place to the Board of Education presided over for many years by the late Sir Erskin Perry, than whom India had perhaps never a more sincere friend or well-wisher. Mr. Javerilal next reviewed the career of Sir Erskine Perry, both as the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Bombay and as a member of the India Council. Referring to the difficulties which the new Elphinstone Professors had to contend against, Mr. Javerilal gave a rapid sketch of the first batch of students that the college had turned out. Alluding to those who were dead and gone, he mentioned interesting biographical facts connected with the career and work of the late Rao Gangadhar Shastre Gambekar, the late Mr. Dadaba Pandurung, the late Mr. Nowroji Furdonji, the late Dr. Bhan Daji, and the late Mr. Naoriji Byramji. In connection with the life of Rao Gangadhar Shastre, the first native English scholar on this side of India, and the help he gave to Captain Jervis in the production of a class of Vernacular works in the higher departments of literature and science, Mr. Javerilal alluded to the celebrated controversy which was raging at the time as to whether English or Vernacular languages were to be the medium through which a knowledge of the higher branches of western literature and science was to be conveyed in future to the people of India. This question was not settled until the arrival in India of Macaulay and until his appointment as President of the Council of Education in Bengal. Macaulay pleaded most eloquently for English as the medium through which alone it was possible to introduce the keen-witted among the higher classes in India to the noblest literature in the world. Mr. Javerilal asked the meeting to consider for a time what would have been the fate of India, and what would have been the intellectual, moral, social and political condition of the country if the contrary decision had been arrived at. Continuing his account of the history of the Elphinstone Institution he referred to the career and work of the living among the early Elphinstone scholars—of Messrs. Dadabhai Naoroji, Mr. Bhoghalal Pravallabdas, Dr. Sahib Mandlik, Mr. Dossabhoy Framji, Mr. Ragunath Narayan Khuse, and others. He also spoke of the labour of Professors Eatton, Reid, Green, Sidney, Omen, Sir Alexander Grant, Mr. J. P. Hughlinge, and Wordsworth. In alluding to Sir Alexander Grant he spoke of his works, "The Ethics of Aristotle" and his "History of the Edinburgh University," and with reference to the latter expressed a hope that some one amongst the present alumni of the Elphinstone College would undertake to give a work on the history of the Elphinstone College from its earliest period including a sketch of the work of its various Principals and Professors, and of the career of those whom it had sent forth, and who had proved themselves in life as men of light and leading. Bringing down his account to within certain times, when the University of Bombay had been in full working, Mr. Javerilal concluded by observing that he was glad to see that the Elphinstone College still maintained its place as the leading Government College in the Presidency.

Rao Saheb Chandulal then gave some reminiscences of his past college life, touching briefly on some of the humours and oddities of the Professors in his days.

Mr. M. H. Dossa, now in Bombay, also spoke, after which the proceedings terminated with a vote of thanks to the chair, and the singing of "God Save the Queen."

The whole assemblage, after a brief conversazione, was entertained with light refreshments and singing till about midnight.

BENGAL.

THE PILOT SERVICE.—A question regarding the admissions to the Bengal Pilot Service was recently referred to the Port Trust. Local candidates are required to put in a certificate of two years' service at sea ; whereas the Secretary of State's candidates can put in such services on board a training ship. To remove the disparity, the Anglo-Indian Association had proposed that a training vessel should be provided in Indian waters ; on the other hand, the Defence Association suggested that a class for apprentices should be established on board pilot vessels. The Port Trust support the latter proposal, and would be glad if Government could give it a practical trial.

GAZETTE NOTIFICATIONS.—The following notifications are Gazetted ;—The services of Mr. E. V. Westmacott, Magistrate and Deputy Collector of Howrah, are placed temporarily at the disposal of the Financial Department of the Bengal Government. Mr. J. G. Ritchie, Joint-Magistrate, Sirampur, Hughli, on leave, is appointed to act as Magistrate of Howrah during the absence, on deputation, of Mr. E. V. Westmacott. Mr. J. M. Coates, Officiating Assistant Superintendent of Police, 24-Parganas, is transferred to Bakarganj. Mr. C. L. Dyson, Officiating Assistant Superintendent of Police, Patna, is transferred to Bhagalpur. Mr. H. C. L. Bamber, Officiating Superintendent of Police, is posted to the 24-Parganas district. The Rev. G. Watling is appointed to act as second Chaplain of St. John's Church, Calcutta, and Chaplain of the Medical College Hospital. Surgeon-Major E. Sanders, Officiating Civil Surgeon, Murshidabad, is allowed leave for one month.

AGRICULTURAL METHODS.—The unwearying efforts of the Agricultural Department of Government to induce cultivators to make use of manure are bound to bear fruit eventually, although the change comes slowly about. The latest incident reported as a sign of gradual improvement in native agriculture is that a hundred maunds of bone-meal were sold last year to certain villagers of Bengal, who had previously received small quantities of the manure gratuitously on trial. There can be little doubt that the cultivators in Bengal would have been forced long ago to take to the use of manure had Nature not been so lavish of her favours. As is well-known, the rivers of Lower Bengal slowly build themselves up into high level canals, which every autumn break through or overflow their margins, leaving a rich deposit of silt upon the adjacent flats. Every year some thousands of square miles thus receive, as has been aptly said, a top-dressing of virgin soil, brought free of expense from the Himalayas—a system of natural manuring which in some places defies the utmost power of overcropping to exhaust its fertility. It is something, however, to know that the absurd prejudice against the use of bone manure is beginning to give way. We can only hope that it will vanish altogether before it has time to affect permanently the position of Hindu cultivators in their rivalry with the peasantry of other countries.

N.-W. PROVINCES, OUDH AND PUNJAB.

THE LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR'S MOVEMENTS.—The Lieutenant-Governor will leave Lahore on the 30th instant on a short tour to see the Chenab Canal system. His Honour is to be accompanied by his Private Secretary and Aide-de-Camp, Mr. Tupper, the Junior Secretary to the Punjab Government, and a small office establishment.

TRAGEDY AT LAHORE.—On Wednesday some thieves broke into the shop of Shiv Dial, a wealthy banish of Sudder Bazaar, Mian Mir. It is believed that they first robbed his stores, &c., then destroyed his books and papers, and finally murdered him. The murdered man was also a money-lender, and it is presumed that the deed was done by some of his debtors. The incident has created great excitement locally.

ROBBERY BY A POST OFFICE PEON.—A Cawnpore correspondent writes to the Lahore paper :—A case of public interest is being tried in the Court of our Joint-Magistrate. Some days ago, a Money Order for Rs. 800 odd had been received in the Cawnpore Post Office for payment to the Elgin Mills Company, and a postal peon, in the usual course of business, received the amount to be handed over to the agent of the firm. On his way to the mills, he was met by a brother peon of another beat, who asked the loan of Rs. 500 for an hour or two with a view to enable him to redeem his jewellery, worth Rs. 900, from a mortgage, and to have it re-mortgaged for a higher sum, which had been promised to him by another Mahajun. Of course, some temptation must have been offered before the postal peon parted with the required sum. He waited for the return of his comrade beyond the time fixed, and growing suspicious he went back to the Post Office and made a clean breast of the whole affair. In the meantime, the other peon returned with the money lent to him. Both were immediately handed over to the police, and are now undergoing their trial in the above court. Though there has been no loss of money in this case, it is very unsafe to entrust peons with large sums of money, who will easily fall victims to temptation. In my opinion, it is wise to revert to the old system of discharging Money Orders at Post Offices.

ADDRESS TO THE MAHARAJA OF MYSORE.

AN address was presented by the Bombay Presidency Association to his Highness the Maharaja of Mysore, at Davar Hall, on Sunday afternoon. The deputation, which waited on his Highness for the purpose, consisted of the following gentlemen :—

The Hon. P. M. Mehta, Prince Samutsingji of Palitana, Messrs. Sorabji Framji Patel, D. E. Wacha, K. R. Kama, Khan Bahadur M. C. Murzban, Messrs. Amirudin Tyabji, Fasulbhoy Visram, Shamrao Narayan, M. H. Hakim, N. R. Ranina, Bomanji Dinshaw Petit, Manekshaw J. Talyarkhan, A. K. Setna, Dhunjibhoy N. Wadia, Tribhovundas M. Nathoobhoy, K. C. Bidarkur, Mulji Bhowanidas, Nagindas Jamnadas Shroff, Veerchund Deepchund, Balaji Pandurang, Edulji B. Morris, and Gunpatrao M. Pitale.

The deputation, having been introduced to the Maharaja by his Dewan, the Hon. Mr. Mehta read the following address :—

May it please your Highness,—We, the president, vice-presidents and members of the Bombay Presidency Association, beg leave to offer a cordial welcome to your Highness on this your first visit to our city, since your assumption of the reins of government. This Association takes a deep interest in the welfare and prosperity of all Native States throughout India, but in the case of the State over which your Highness rules, this interest is of a peculiarly strong character. The rendition of Mysore was a splendid practical proof that the righteous policy of the Crown with regard to the government of this great dependency, declared in 1858, was not a temporary measure of conciliation, but a deliberate and serious act of statesmanship, and a convincing assurance that the conscience of the great English nation could never be seduced to recede from it by plausible arguments of expediency or self-interest. The history of your Highness's administration affords the fairest promise that the wisdom of the restoration of Mysore will be amply justified. It is true that the lines on which your Highness's government is conducted are the same as those which prevailed during the *regime* of the previous British Commission. But the marked success which has attended your Highness's efforts in the administration of your province, with the help of able, educated, and enlightened Dewans, like the one who is now serving your Highness so loyally and zealously, goes far to show that there are Native administrators and officers who are well capable of independently performing the tasks and discharging the duties and responsibilities of government on lines which the culture and education introduced, we thankfully admit, by the British rulers, have taught them, modifying and tempering them by their close knowledge and understanding of the idiosyncrasies, habits and modes of thought and feeling of people who belong to their own race and creed. The fact is a sufficient proof of the educated Native ability that is certainly to be found in the various parts of the empire, especially in the advanced provinces, to carry on almost all the important work of the administration with efficiency and integrity. It would be too long, for an occasion like this, to refer to the numerous measures thoughtfully and carefully introduced in all branches of your Highness's administration to advance the welfare and prosperity of the State under your charge, notably the strides which education has so rapidly made. But we cannot allow this opportunity to pass without referring to one which has just now a peculiar interest for our countrymen in connection with their legitimate aspirations to have their voice heard and their counsels sought in those great councils of State which they now consider ripe for further development. We refer to that singular institution introduced under native rule in your Highness's State, called the representative assembly of Mysore. It is my intention to make it in due time a truly representative body, and towards this object my best efforts have been continuously directed, with results which, I am glad to say, encourage me to persevere in the same course. I may refer you to the rules of August last prescribing an improved constitution for this assembly, and to the assurance which I gave to it at its last meeting in the following words :—"In applying it (the property qualification) to an agricultural country like ours, we have naturally accorded the first place to the landholder and have provided that each of our sixty-six taluks may send five of its largest landholders. In the provision which enables our eight local boards and ninety-two municipalities to nominate members for this assembly from their respective bodies there is a fair guarantee for the proper representation of all classes and localities, while the privilege given to each of the more important associations to depute a member to this assembly may be the means of securing at our discussions the views of the more advanced section of the community. I think that these rules might be trusted to do good service for the time being, though they must of course be changed and improved as time goes on and more experience is gained." Gentlemen, I thank you and, through you, the Presidency Association, for your good wishes for my personal happiness and the success of my administration.

After an interchange of civilities, the deputation withdrew.

THE *TIMES* AND BURMA.

SOME startling inaccuracies in the London *Times* Rangoon correspondent's telegram of the 12th November have been exposed. The correspondent stated that the districts most disturbed were those around Mantalay and within range of its influence. As a matter of fact the most disturbed districts in November were in the south, near the old frontier. During the whole of November Mandalay was almost entirely free from violent crime, and the district undisturbed as regards serious discontent. Regarding taxation, the people, though not elated at the prospect of it, evidenced no discontent at the light tax imposed by the Municipality. With respect to the inquiry into titles to property, the object is merely to prevent complications arising from transfers with insufficient titles. The people attended willingly at the inquiry, and seemed anxious to produce their titles. As far as can be ascertained no uneasy or excited feeling exists in this connection, and no complaints have been made to the Commissioner. The same correspondent's remarks on the recent outbreak of *beri-beri* among the prisoners in Lower Burma are said to be wholly incorrect. There has been no outbreak of this disease in the jails of Lower Burma for six years. The Mandalay Jail was only opened last February, and it is therefore incorrect to say that there have been many cases there during the past two years. Whilst intelligent criticism of Government action and passing events in Burma is undoubtedly desirable, the striking inaccuracies of the *Times* Rangoon telegrams can only tend to mislead public opinion.

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THE MADRAS NATIONAL CONGRESS.

THE following is a copy of telegram despatched by the Secretary of the Mahomedan Literary Society, Calcutta, to the Secretary of the National Congress, at Madras, declining an invitation to send a delegate to the Congress :—

From Nawab Abdool Luteef Bahadur, C. I. E., Secretary to the Mahomedan Literary Society, Calcutta.

To the Secretary to the Congress Committee, Madras.

Many thanks for your kind invitation to attend the Congress. The Committee of the Mahomedan Literary Society of Calcutta regret their inability to accept your invitation, as they do not anticipate any benefit to be derived from further present discussion of difficult and momentous questions likely to occupy the deliberations of the Congress. The Mahomedan community are fully convinced that the Government are doing their best to promote the best interests of all classes, consistent with the requirements of the various nationalities constituting British India, and financial exigencies to which the Government are perfectly alive. The Mahomedan Literary Society prefer not to embarrass the Government when our noble Viceroy and his able councillors are devoting themselves to consider how best to meet the natural aspirations and needs of the natives of India.

22. Dec. 1887.

IN the course of an article in the *National Magazine*, Mr. K P. Sircar refers, as follows, to the Congress :—

The third Congress is about to meet. Madras is certainly the best place for such an Assembly. There self-governing institutions have grown and flourished in a way nowhere to be seen in India. Almost every district in the presidency, which ten years ago bore the sobriquet of *benighted*, has become the nucleus of a representative constituency in imitation of the English system, and the formation of these representative institutions is rapidly advancing. The people of Madras take the greatest delight and interest in political matters, and there is no doubt that the coming Congress will be a great success. The great defect in the constitution of the last two Congresses was that the delegates were not duly elected by their constituencies. Hence the proceedings did not possess the strength and political significance which otherwise they would have possessed. England is the mistress of representative institutions which have attained a degree of perfection on her soil which cannot be seen in any other part of the civilized world. The political regeneration of India must begin from England, where *imperial exigencies*, which are superior to every other consideration in India, do not exist. The best statesman in England, who has attained a reputation for wide sympathies with subject people, yields in India to those *exigencies*, and the interests of the Indians are sacrificed to them. Hence to make an impression on the thinking public in England, it is absolutely necessary that we should so manage and control our proceedings as to make them acceptable to that public. If this Congress wants to claim for it the status of a national assembly, delegates coming to it must be duly elected by their constituencies ; in fact the Congress must be constituted strictly upon the elective principle which finds favor in England. These election proceedings should be published, and the names of the candidates who are returned for the Congress by each constituency, should also be made public a short time before the Congress holds its sittings. Gentlemen who are fully acquainted with the English system of election should be depated to each centre without loss of time, and they should train the body of electors in a manner in which elections are to proceed.

These elections should be managed under certain rules and bye-laws which should be published at once under the authority of the Executive-Council of Congress. The ultimate success of the Congress depends much in the manner on which it is formed, and if the leaders succeed in giving it the shape of an Indian parliament, the time will not be distant when its moral strength will be felt in England and India.

The Mahomedans in Bengal did a great injury to the national cause by holding off from this great representative assembly. The object of the Congress is to establish unity among all classes of the Indian people, but this object—the very moving principle—will be defeated if our Mahomedan brethren do not join. They can have no objection to join, when they see that the proceedings of the last two Congresses were conducted in a true and genuine spirit of loyalty in which neither the Hindus nor the Mahomedans have been found wanting. While their accession gives strength, their secession leads to weakness and disunion amongst a respectable people who are aspiring to be strong and united. Let not the future historian of India cast a stain on the conduct of the Mahomedans in Bengal when the history of this critical period comes to be written. The national Congress will deal only with questions possessing an imperial interest, in which all races living in India are equally interested. So long as these grievances are loyally laid before the Government, with moderation and practical wisdom, I think every true Indian who is not blinded by improper sectarian considerations, ought to join.

The kind reception which the Viceroy accorded to the delegates must at once convince our Mahomedan brethren that his Excellency did not in the least [illegible] with disfavour on the proceedings of the Congress, or that the delegates lost his favour by joining [illegible] Hence possibly new with [illegible] this address with our heartfelt wishes that [illegible] life may long be spared to your Highness to preside over your State, which is indebted so much to you for its material, moral and intellectual progress.

The Dewan, replying on behalf of his Highness, said :—

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HIGH COURT O. O. C. J.
Suit No. 229 of 1887.

Hajee Sultan Alli Sustri .....Plaintiff.
Hajee Alli Sherazi .....Defendant.

Whereas by Sheriff's Proclamation, dated 2nd September, 1887, published in the *Indu Prakash*, *Bombay Gazette*, and *Jame-e-Jamshed*, on the 19th and 21st idem respectively, it was notified that the property therein described would, on the 21st idem, be put up for sale.

Now it is hereby proclaimed and notified that on this day, the 27th December 1887, at 2 p. m., the property described in the said Proclamation, will be put up for sale at the rooms of Messrs MEHRJEE JOHNSTON and Co., Auctioneers, No. 4, Forbes Street

Each lot to be paid for at the time of sale.

Further particulars, &c., to be had at the Sheriff's Office.—Dated this 10th day of December, 1887

DINSHAW MANOCKJEE PETIT,
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C. 23-54—Report by Director, Land Records and Agriculture 1886-87.
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COMMERCIAL INTELLIGENCE

MONDAY EVENING, DECEMBER 26.

THE Banks have been closed to-day, as they were on Saturday, for the Christmas holidays, and no business of importance has been going on in the principal Produce Markets ; but for regularity's sake we give our usual summary of financial and commercial news received by wire, up to the closing of the markets on Friday evening, together with our weekly comparative statement regarding the movement of Cotton.

An advance of ¼d. per oz. took place in Silver in London on Friday, making the price 44¼d. per oz. A rise of ⅜ per cent was also established in 4½ per cent. Rupee Securities, at £74½ ; but in the other denomination a decline of ¼ is reported at £69¼. In Consols, Indian Sterling Loan, and French Rentes in Paris there was no change. Extra allotments of Council Bills are advised, consisting of five lakhs on Bombay, at 1s. 5 1-16d., and a like amount on Calcutta, at 1-32d. less, an advance, it will be observed, of 1-32d. to 1-16d. in the rate obtained at the regular biddings on Wednesday.

Quotations for Copper are still wired as £84 (nominal) for Wallaroo, and £90 for Braziers'. A special telegram states that "a syndicate of bankers has been formed at Paris, comprising the Rothschilds and the Comptoir d' Escompte, in order to maintain the price of Copper for two years."

Beyond a partial advance of 3d. per quarter in the price of Calcutta linseed in a firm market, there has been no further change in the Wheat or Mincing Lane Markets. The Wheat afloat for the U. K. on Friday, given as 1,300,000 quarters, was 120,000 quarters less than a week previously. The Import of Linseed was 36,000 quarters against 71,000 last week.

The Liverpool Market will re-open to-morrow. At closing on Friday evening the tone was steady, with spot prices unchanged all round. American Arrivals were 1-64d. down for December-February deliveries, but in all other positions quotations come unaltered. Fine Broach F. G. clause, was done at 5 11-16d. for March-April shipment, which shows a decline of 1-32d. from the rate obtained on Wednesday, and is 3-32d. below the spot price. The Manchester Market was firm but unaltered.

The movement of Cotton in Liverpool for the week ending last Friday, as to the volume of business, and the channels in which it ran, was about the same as during the preceding week. The Imports, however, at 105,000 bales, were 20,000 bales greater ; and the stock which stood at 582,000 bales had thus become greater by 12,000 bales. The stock of Surats, at 85,000 bales, was 6,000 bales lighter. The total Visible Supply, estimated on Friday at 3,100,000 had thus increased by 100,000 bales, while of Surats there were 3,000 bales less in sight, at 283,000 bales.

There was an advance of ⅛ in the spot price in New York on Friday at 10⅜ cents. Futures for April closed one point higher at 10·83, opening for May at 10·92 cents. The Receipts at the U. S. Ports were 36,000 bales, bringing up the week's total to 202,000 bales ; and the total since the opening of the new season to 3,798,000 bales, showing a decrease of 289,000 bales, and 392,000 bales compared with the two previous years, respectively.

The American Crop figures to date give the following comparisons with the two previous seasons :—

	1887	1886	1885
Week's receipts	202,000	281,000	210,000
" exports to U. K.	75,000	139,000	95,000
" " Continent	59,000	95,000	62,000
Total receipts since 1st Sept.	3,798,000	3,509,000	3,406,000
" exports to U. K.	1,302,000	1,331,000	1,073,000
" Cont.	1,026,000	922,000	910,000
" Stock in the Ports	1,020,000	1,050,000	1,074,000

The total visible supply of Cotton for all Europe on the 23rd instant affords the following comparisons with the two previous years :—

	1887	1886	1885
Total supply of all kinds	3,100,000	3,076,740	2,295,150
" Surats	283,000	262,790	139,680

For the United Kingdom only the figures are :—

Stock in Liverpool	582,000	584,800	510,720
" London	29,000	13,000	16,000
American Afloat	260,000	283,000	222,000
East Indian	15,000	41,000	13,000
	886,000	923,350	761,720
Price of Mid-Uplands	5 11-16d.	5¼d.	5d
" Good Fair Dhollerah	4 3-16d.	3 15-16d.	4¼d.
Difference	1½d.	1 5-16d.	¾d.

The Receipts of Produce into Bombay on Saturday were as follows :—

Cotton	4,496 bales.
Wheat	4,321 cwt.
Linseed	5,101 "
Rapeseed	1,116 "
Gingelly	8,672 "
Groundnuts	2,865 "

BANK OF BENGAL.

THE following is the statement of the affairs of the Bank of Bengal for the week ending 19th Dec. as compared with the statement of the 6th Dec. :—

	Dec. 19.	Dec. 6.
Reserve Fund	48,52,759 15 0	48,52,759 15 0
Treasury Balance	1,55,74,228 14 0	1,66,24,077 14 7
Other Deposits	4,15,71,826 9 7	4,18,35,262 0 5
Bank Post Bills, &c.	4,53,497 15 9	3,15,428 4 7
Sundries	17,64,808 14 11	17,95,175 7 7
Rs.	8,42,17,382 5 3	8,54,72,681 10 2

ASSETS.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.
Government Securities	1,01,25,446 5 0	85,98,981 5 0
Other authorized Invtmts	55,97,695 3 4	63,15,668 5 4
Loans on Govt. and other authorized Securities	68,43,981 11 5	74,37,012 7 0
Credits on do.	73,21,962 8 9	71,07,829 3 1
Bills discounted	1,79,68,711 2 9	1,99,42,360 9 0
Balances with other Banks	8,41,399 10 7	7,01,043 8 5
Bullion	582 9 6	1,587 13 6
Dead Stock	11,19,115 4 10	11,16,023 10 7
Stamps	10,725 3 0	10,779 2 0
Furniture	8,07,234 1 9	8,15,179 1 8
Cash at Head Office	1,23,94,839 6 8	1,28,15,902 10 4
Do. at Branches	2,08,86,289 1 8	2,06,07,293 14 3
Rs.	8,42,17,382 5 3	8,54,72,681 10 2

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SHIPPING INTELLIGENCE.

THE Italian steamer Sturs, 1,416 tons, Captain G B De Marchi, arrived in Bombay yesterday morning from Hongkong (Dec 6) with a general cargo and two first class and ten deck passengers.

THE B. I. steamer Goa, 1,232 tons, from Calcutta, (Nov. 28), reached this port on the 24th instant, under Captain T. W. Lewins. She had a general cargo and Mr. E. Anderson, a cabin, and eight deck, passengers, on board.

THE ship Sierra Perima, Captain J. L. Weshart, arrived in Bombay on Saturday last, having left Cardiff on the 7th of September last. She has brought out from that port a cargo of 2,352 tons of coals. Messers Edward Bates and Co., are her agents in Bombay.

THE Sultan's steamer Swordsman, sailed from Bombay on Saturday last, under Captain K. Detlefsen, for Zanzibar, laden with a general cargo and the following passengers :—Mr. A. J. O. Pagado, Mr. D. M. O. Pagado, a Mahomedan gentleman and fifty five deck for Zanzibar and intermediate ports.

THE B. I. S. N. steamer Purulia, Captain J. B. Macfadyen, carrying mails for the Persian Gulf and Karachi, sails for her destination on the arrival of the outward English mails in Bombay. She has the following passengers :—Miss. Davies, Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Sethna, for Karachi ; Mr. Haji Mirza Md Ali Yezdi, for Busreh ; and sixty-three deck for various ports *en route*.

THE DEPARTURE OF THE CHINA MAIL.

THE P. and O Co's. steamer Ballaarat, 2,679 tons, which sailed from Bombay on Saturday, under command of Captain E. Ashdown, for Colombo and Shanghai with China and Australian mail, had the following passengers on board :—For Sydney—Mr and Mrs A H Page, Shah Din, Mr H E Morris, Mr J Doolan, Mr Reid, Private Hewett, Bombr McLean, and Mr T Ker, For Melbourne—Mr E C Studholme, Condr G Koy, wife, two children and infant. For Hongkong—Mr. E A Solomon, Mr H C Sethna, Mr S D Curseтji, and Mr P Cowasji. For Singapore.—Revd and Mrs J A Brooks, and child. For Colombo.—Hon'ble Justice and Mrs Scott and Mr Conroy.

VESSELS IN THE PRINCE'S DOCK.
26TH DECEMBER, 1887.

Vessels.	Net Tonnage	Captains.	Shipping.	Company or Agents.
S.S. City of Canterbury	2099	A. B. Gray	E	Sir C. Forbes & Co.
" Dracona	1245	W. Sangster	F	Rodgers & Co.
" Vulcan	1441	W. Skinner	H	K. Nixon & Co.
" Regius	2119	W. P. Kayll	K	K. Nixon & Co.
" Healthfield	1398	C. McFee	N	J. Mackintosh & Co.
" Kt. of St. John	2286	J. L. Sheil	O	J. Mackintosh & Co.
" Akaba	2470	J. Main	P	K. Nixon & Co.
" Cervin	1241	S. Hughson	Q	W. &A. Graham & Co.
" Avoca	904	C. Clyhoe	Ibis	Visram Ebrahim & Co.

ARRIVALS.

Dec.	Vessel.	Commander	From.
23	Nordan	Jensen	Port Natal, Nov. 7.
24	Goa (s)	Lewins	Calcutta, Nov. 28.
	Sierra Perima	Weshart	Cardiff, Sept. 7.
26	Abercarne	Brown	Mauritius, Nov. 15.
	Stura (s)	DeMarchi	Hongkong, Dec. 6.
	Cathay (s)	De Horne	Suez, Dec. 16.

DEPARTURES.

Dec.	Vessel.	Commander	Destination.
24	Henry Balckow (s)	Hughes	Persian Gulf.
	Lodestar	Nowlan	Calcutta.
	Ballaarat (s)	Ashdown	China & Australia
	Swordsman (s)	Detlefsen	Zanzibar.
	Loodiana (s)	Jacob	Calcutta.
26	Purulia (s)	Macfadyen	Gulf and Karachi.

The following vessels have been entered for home and other ports :—
Steamer Malwa, for London, &c.
" Loodiana, for London, Marseilles and Genoa.
" Ethiopia, for Calcutta.
" Calder, for the Persian Gulf.
Brig Fateh Islam, for Mozambique, &c.
" Nordan, for Port Natal.

CALCUTTA.

ARRIVALS.

Dec.		
20	Laipoora s	Jones ..... Bombay, Dec. 3.
	Khandalla s	Dougherty ..... Singapore, Dec. 7.
	Tenasserim s	Falle ..... Rangoon, Dec. 17.
	Kentmere	Tickle ..... Cardiff, Sept. 17.
	Glenorchy	Mackenzie ..... Mauritius.

DEPARTURES.

Dec. 22.—Steamers Booldana, Storm Queen, Albulla and Shahzada. Ship Belle of Bath. Barque Quathlamba.

KARACHI.

ARRIVALS.

Dec.		
21	Simla s	..... Nogapatam.
	Goorkha s	..... Calcutta.
22	Sirsa s	..... Rangoon.
22	Kohinur s	..... Calcutta.
	Patna s	..... Bombay.

DEPARTURES.

Dec.		
20	Tanais s	..... Pondy. & Colombo.
	Java s	..... Bombay.
22	Simla s	..... Rangoon.
	Goorkha	..... London.
23	Kohinur s	..... Bombay.
24	Patna s	..... Calcutta.
	Sirsa s	..... Negapatam.

DAILY EXPORTS.—DECEMBER 26.

FOR LIVERPOOL.

Cy of Canterbury s—150 bales cotton, Beyts Craig and Co.

FOR LONDON.

Dracona s—270 bales cotton, Breul and Co ; 125 cwts cloves, Beyts Craig and Co ; 150 cwts India. rubber, Ewart, Latham and Co.

Malwa s—501 cwts myrabolums, H Gokaldas ; 1,005 cwts myrabolums, Beyts, Craig and Co.

FOR ANTWERP.

Kt of St John s—100 bales cotton, Gaddum, Bythell and Co.

FOR MARSEILLES.

Akaba s—3,000 cwts groundnuts, Lang Moir and Co.

FOR VENICE.

Liscard s—725 bales cotton, Gaddum, Bythell and Co.

FOR TRIESTE.

Liscard s—110 bales cotton, Gaddum Bythell and Co.

FOR GENOA.

Akaba s—500 bales cotton, Gadum Bythell and Co ; 60 cwts cloves, A Hemraj.

MILITARY INTELLIGENCE.

ARRIVALS.—DECEMBER 23.

Mainwaring, Major, Bengal, Rl. Welsh. Fus., on privilege leave, from Lucknow.
Thomson, Surgn-Genl., Bombay Medl-Staff, from Inspection tour, from Karachi.

DECEMBER 24.

Godfray, Capt., 9th Bombay Infantry, on leave, from Poona.
Roupell, Capt., Bombay, R. A., on sick leave, from Ahmedabad.
Griffiths, Capt., Madras, Bedford Regt., on leave, to England, from Bellary.

DECEMBER 26.

Woods, Lt., Mad., 3rd Sikhs, *en route* to England, from Abbottabad.
Burton, Lt., Mad., 4th Sikhs on furlough, from Kohat.
Corkery, Surgeon, 9th Bo. Infantry, on station leave from Poona.

DEPARTURES.—DECEMBER 23.

Mainwaring, Major, Bengal, Rl. Welsh Fus., on leave, to England.

DECEMBER 24.

Pearson, 2nd Lt., Madras, Oxford L. I., to join on 1st appt., to Bangalore.
Crum, 2nd Lt., Mad, Oxford, L.I., to join, to Bangalore.
Davidson, Lt., Bengal Staff Corps, on leave, to Poona.
Fry, Lt., 4th Bo. Rifles, on station leave, to Poona.

DECEMBER 26.

Miles, Lt., Bengal, 45th, Sikhs, on duty, to Rawal Pindi.
Waco, Major, Bengal Ordce Dept., on duty, to Calcutta.

BOMBAY VOLUNTEER RIFLE CORPS.

REGIMENTAL ORDERS

By Lieut-Col. the Hon. L. H. Bayley, Commandant, B.V.R.C.

Bombay, 27th December, 1887.

There will be a meeting of the Executive Committee of the Bo. Vol. R. Association at 5-30 p.m., Tuesday, the 27th inst., at Capt. Soundy's Office.

By Order,
(Sd.) H. S. B. HODGKINSON, Capt. & Adjutant, Bombay Vol. R. Corps.

BATTERY ORDERS

By Major G. W. Roughton, Comdt.
Bo. Vol. Arty.

Bombay, 27th December, 1887.

1. On Saturday, the 31st inst., the battery will proceed to Coorla to take part in the Annual Field-day, by the train leaving Victoria Terminus at 5-30 a.m., (Bombay time) stopping at Byculla 10 minutes and Chinchpoogly 15 minutes later. Coffee will be provided on arrival at Coorla and breakfast on conclusion of the Manœuvres. Bombay will be reached on the return journey about 12 noon, but these members of the battery who wish to return early can arrive in Bombay by 10 a.m.
2. There will be no other Parades or drills this week.
3. On Monday January, the 2nd, the Battery will take part in the Proclamation Parade. Orders as to time and place of assembly will be issued hereafter.
4. The Instructors will attend at Coorla this week on Wednesday at 4-30 p.m., and Thursday and Friday at 6-30 a.m.
5. No. 96 Gunner T. F. Taylor, having joined, is taken on the strength of the Battery from the 17th inst.

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TELEGRAMS.

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THE POLITICAL SITUATION IN EUROPE.

DEPARTURE OF THE GERMAN AMBASSADOR FROM LONDON.

LONDON, DEC. 25.

Count von [illegible] bassador in Lonfaldt-Wildenburg, German Ambassador in Germany, after having been suddenly started for Salisbury, who came up to conference with Lord [illegible].

The situation of affairs in Europe especially [illegible] and complicated, and the various rumours current are most confusing.

RUSSIAN MILITARY MOVEMENTS IN POLAND.

Russia has given no assurances to Austria through Prince Lobanof-Rostovski, her Ambassador at Vienna, nor to the Austrian Ambassador at the Russian Court, Count von Wolkinstein-Trastburg, nor to the German Ambassador, General von Schweinitz, regarding the movements of troops near Poland.

WAR PREPARATIONS IN ROUMANIA.

BUCHAREST, DEC. 23.

The Roumanian Chamber of Deputies has passed a vote of credit for sixteen million francs to be expended in the purchase of rifles and munitions of war and the erection and completion of fortifications.

RUSSIA AND ENGLAND.

ST. PETERSBURG, DEC. 25.

The *Novoe Vremya* says it would be advantageous to Russia to re-assure England as to the absolute safety of her Indian possessions, provided the British Government would guarantee not to oppose Russia in those International questions directly concerning her.

GERMANY AND RUSSIA.

BERLIN, DEC. 26.

General von Schweinitz, German Ambassador at the Russian Court, has taken a conciliatory message to St. Petersburg from Prince Bismarck.

LORD RANDOLPH CHURCHILL AT ST. PETERSBURG.

ST. PETERSBURG, DEC. 25.

Lord Randolph Churchill has arrived here, and had an interview with M. de Giers yesterday.

His Majesty the Czar will grant Lord Randolph an audience on Monday.

NIHILISM IN RUSSIA.

DEC. 23.

The students in the universities in Russia are giving continued trouble to the authorities by their Nihilistic tendencies.

The fever of conspiracy has now extended to St. Petersburg, and numerous arrests have been made in consequence.

THE RUSSIAN UNIVERSITIES CLOSED.

DEC. 26.

Many protests made by the students, against the vexatious rules and regulations prevailing in the Universities, having been repressed by the authorities, the students of the St. Petersburg University have at last appealed to the support of the citizens and offered resistance to the troops, who were sent to restore order.

There have also been disturbances at the Military Academy, the Medical College, and the School of Forestry, all of which have now been closed.

Numerous arrests have been made, and all the Universities, except Kieff, have been closed for similar reasons.

WELSH LAND LEAGUE.

LONDON, DEC. 26.

The Manifesto of the Welsh Land League has been issued. It is based on the model of the Irish Land League.

GREAT RAILWAY STRIKE IN AMERICA.

PHILADELPHIA, DEC. 26.

Sixty-five thousand employés of the Philadelphia and Reading Railway have struck work.

THE MISSION TO KING JOHN.

ADEN, DEC. 25.

Information has been received that the British Mission to King John, of Abyssinia, under Mr. G. H. Portal, has reached Massowah on the return journey.

THE TROOPING SEASON.

PORTSMOUTH, DEC. 23.

H. M.'s Indian Troopship Euphrates left to-day for Bombay, taking the seventh batch of reliefs for India.

LORD REAY AT AHMEDABAD.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

AHMEDABAD, DEC. 26.

To-day the Governor left Shahibagh on a visit to Maharaja Idar. His Excellency will return to-morrow evening, and will leave here next morning by special train to Wadhwan for Dhoraji in connection with the Kathiawar tour.

RAILWAY ARRANGEMENTS IN INDIA.

GOVERNMENT ACTION.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, DEC. 24.

The *Gazette of India* contains a Resolution on railway rates and fares for India, and the Director-General for Railways thus briefly recapitulates his recommendations :—

1. That a moderate schedule of maxima rates and fares be drawn up, to be departed from only on due cause being shown.

2. That the maxima rates and fares fixed for each railway be notified and available to the public.

3. That a general goods classification be drawn up for acceptance by all new companies.

4. That the principles under which railway agents and managers may regulate their rates within their maxima be decided upon and advised to all concerned.

5. That undue preference be put a stop to.

6. That powers be secured to Government in the new Railway Act to order the companies to accept through rates.

7. That a Standing Committee of railway managers be formed to secure a reasonable amount of uniformity in working.

8. That all proper influence be brought by Government to induce the various railways to accept the principles decided upon (*vide* 6 above). Also that the conclusions be generally accepted by the Standing Committee (*vide* 7).

9. That an experienced traffic officer or railway manager be permanently attached to the headquarters of the Government of India.

THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, DEC. 24.

The Public Service Commission concluded its sittings on Friday afternoon, when all the members present signed the report.

Sir Charles Aitchison, who presided, made a short speech, and on behalf of the Viceroy conveyed the thanks of the Government of India to the members. He stated that the report of the Commission would be made public soon, permission to do so having been obtained from the Secretary of State.

PERSONAL INTELLIGENCE.

Mr. Stokes, the Madras member, and Mr. D. F. White, the Madras Eurasian representative, have returned.

Sir Tatton and Lady Sykes have arrived at Calcutta.

THE NATIONAL CONGRESS.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENTS.)

PANDHERPUR, DEC. 23.

At a public meeting held in the Orphanage Hall, the following delegates have been elected to represent the people of Pandherpur at the National Congress to be held at Madras :—Y. N. Lande, B. A., G. J. Kelkar, Vakil, and R. M. Soni.

BELGAUM, DEC. 25.

All the chosen delegates left this for Madras on Friday. They were entertained by Babasaheb [illegible] with *pan sooparee* and fruits at the station. Loud [illegible] were given for the National Congress as the [illegible] steamed out of the station. The Khanpoor people waited on the delegates and presented them with bouquets and fruits. They have chosen Venkutro Bhare as their delegate. The Mahomedan community entertained their delegates to dinner. The Chikodee people elected a Mahajan pleader their delegate. The Hon. Mr. Ranade, C.S.I., and his assistant Rao Bahadoor Bhat were here, and left for Madras last night.

RETURN OF THE MAHARAJAH OF BHOWNUGGER.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

BHOWNUGGER, DEC. 25.

His Highness Sir Takhatsingji, the Maharaja, arrived here in a special train at 6 o'clock yesterday evening. On alighting he was received by the Diwan, the State Engineer, and other high officials in a shamiana. On the station platform was assembled a large gathering of the merchants and others who welcomed the Maharajah with enthusiasm and loyalty. A procession was formed as usual, which drove through the town to the Motibag, His Highness being cheered lustily and greeted cordially by the loyal crowds that lined the streets. The shops and the durbar offices on the route were illuminated with great taste. The Motibag, at which place the procession dispersed, was also brilliantly illuminated.

THE RAILWAY BETWEEN HIROKH AND KOTAL.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

ALLAHABAD, DEC. 26.

The construction work of the line of railway between Hirokh and Kotal is in hand and being proceeded with rapidly. The Swiss Engineers hope to get away in six months.

AN EXCITING DUEL.

A very pretty duel was fought near Khan Kelat's camp, Sibi, a few days ago. Two families had a bloody feud, and a member of each meeting shots were exchanged at two short ranges without effect, swords were thereupon drawn, and the engagement resulted in the death of one of the duelists. In the meanwhile the friends of the vanquished appeared on the scene and the victor had to fly for his life. He sought refuge in the Khan's own tent where the pursuers did not dare to intrude, and the Khan sent the victorious Brahui under a strong escort to his home.

OFFICIAL CHANGES.

Mr. Petre, the First Assistant to the Agent Governor-General, Indore, goes home in February, and will be succeeded by Mr. Fitzgerald, formerly First Assistant to the Resident, Hyderabad.

HONOUR TO SIR GANPAT RAO KHUDKEY.

The exceptional honour of a salute of nine guns in British territory has been granted to Rajah Sir Ganpat Rao Khudkey, K.C.S.I., president of the Gwalior Council of Regency, in recognition of his energetic and wise administration of the Gwalior State.

[REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.]

STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

HONGKONG, DEC. 24.

The P. and O. Company's s. s. Khiva (extra) left here for Bombay this morning.

LIVERPOOL WEEKLY COTTON REPORT.

LONDON, DEC. 23.

Total Week's sales of Cotton	74,000	bales
" " " Surats.....	8,000	"
" " Imports of Cotton ...	105,000	"
" " " Surats ...	nil.	"
" Stock of Cotton	582,000	"
" " Surats.....	85,000	"
" Stock of Cotton in London...	29,000	"

COMMERCIAL AND FINANCIAL NEWS.

LONDON, DEC. 23.

The Liverpool Cotton market closed steady. Surats steady.

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The Manchester market has been firm.	
4 per cent. Rupee Paper.....	69¼
4½ do. do.	74¼
3 per cent. Consols for account.....	101⅛
3½ per cent. Sterling Loan	103½
4½ per cent. French Rentes.....	107½
Bar Silver	44½

The Honorary Secretary of the Central Mahommedan Association of the Madras Presidency recently made certain suggestions to Government in order to secure a larger employment of qualified Mahommedans in the public service than has hitherto been the case. The Government, in reply, stated that they had no objection to the preparation of a list of Mahommedans seeking employment in Government service, and that if the Central Mahommedan Association would prepare such a list, and furnish it to heads of departments, it would probably further the object which the Association has in view.

The pearl fishery operations at Silavattural in Ceylon on or about the 15th February. There are four banks to be fished, and it is estimated that each of them will give employment to one hundred boats, varying from thirteen to twenty days, with average loads of 10,000 oysters per day. As is well known, the oyster is supposed to represent the lowest and simplest form of animal life. Jawless and toothless, it has no *foot* even, and except when very young, no power of locomotion or organ of any kind adapted to that purpose. It is a curious fact in connection with this interesting specimen of the animal kingdom, that the pearl oyster although a mollusc, strictly is yet misnamed "oyster," doubtless from the close outward resemblance it bears to the latter. But it is one of those popular fallacies to which the human mind clings notwithstanding the dictum of science. As a matter of fact, the pearl-oyster so called differs in some essential respects from the luscious bivalve with which we are all so familiar; and we observe that our old friend, Mr. A. M. Fergusson, of Ceylon, has lately been enforcing the distinction at a meeting of the Royal Asiatic Society in Colombo. Among other interesting particulars about the pearl "oyster" not generally known, it is ascertained that it has one foot, and that its powers of locomotion therewith are so remarkable as to enable it to change its abode with facility, if it finds the surroundings of the locality where it has been deposited unsuitable. Moreover, after having discovered a new resting-place, the pearl-oyster throws out beautiful and strong silk-like filaments which form the byssus by which it brings itself to anchor, while its foot is brought into use for the purpose of adjusting itself to the rock to which it desires to attach itself.

Raja Durga Churn Law, Bahadur, C.I.E., has made the munificent gift of Rs. 10,000 to the Calcutta District Charitable Society. Of this sum 1,000 is for the Leper Asylum. The balance is to be invested, and the interest to be spent on the relief of the poor of the city. The Raja has also given Rs. 5,000 to the funds of the Mayo Hospital.

The Government of India have called upon the various local administrations to send in a list of all the engineers in the Executive Engineer grade considered eligible and fit for promotion to the ranks of the Superintending Engineer grade; all the lists are then to be thrown into one general list, and promotions made as vacancies occur, according to the recommendations made by the head of the department. All engineers of the Executive grade not fit for promotion will be retired on attaining the age of fifty years.

ENGLISH POLITICAL AND SOCIAL LETTER.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

LONDON, DEC. 9.

The Solicitor-General has been telling a South London audience that the Home Rule Question is dead. Many of us wish it were. But so far from being defunct the Home Rule Question is more alive than ever, and we have had a pretty striking proof of this during the past few days. Events which at another time would have occupied great, not to say absorbing attention, have, so to speak, received hardly any notice at all. That France has just afforded a spectacle for the wonder of the world, that Russia is reported to be massing vast bodies of troops on the Galician frontier, and that half Europe, to say the least, is in a state of ferment in consequence of the warlike preparations of some of the Great Powers—all these things trouble us but little, so pre-occupied are we with the issue that sooner or later will have to be decided at the polling booth. President Cleveland's sensational address, vastly important though it be in various respects, only excites interest here so far as it bears on the topic of the hour. Tariff reform in the United States in ordinary circumstances might not be supposed to affect very much Home Rule in Ireland. Even now the relation is only indirect. But though only indirect it is important, and may materially help to shape the future course of political parties in this country. The hoisting of the standard of Fair Trade at the Oxford Conference has created more consternation in the Unionist and Conservative camps than was even at first anticipated, and although the very strenuous efforts that are being put forward to prevent a split between the Hartington division—it cannot be called by anyone with a sense of proportion an army—and their Tories "allies," as Lord Derby bids us describe them, will for the time being be successful. We already see from the altered tone of the speeches at Westminster yesterday that the Dual Alliance has received a shock. It is curious to see the attempts that are being made by different high personages in the political world to disavow any responsibility for the action of the Conservative Caucus. I confess that if I were in Mr. Ashmead Bartlett's place or in that of Mr. Howard Vincent, I should resent the attempts that are being made to lay all the blame on the shoulders of those energetic but somewhat fussy and maladroit gentlemen. Mr. Howard Vincent has distinctly explained that he refrained from taking any public action until he was assured by the wire-pullers of his party that no "ministerial inconvenience" would occur; and Mr. Ashmead Bartlett being a member of the Government, it is inconceivable that he should have gone down to Oxford without previously talking over matters, if not with Lord Salisbury himself, at least with those who were acquainted with the Prime Minister's views. Yesterday the gossip of the political club was that Mr. Ashmead Bartlett had been severely wigged. To-day the report is that he would most certainly be made the scapegoat if it were not for the risk of losing his brother's contribution to the party funds. I place little or no reliance in either report. Not that there would be anything particularly out of the way in shelving a faithful servant whose fidelity had unexpectedly done harm to his principals, but the present Civil Lord of the Admiralty is not the kind of man, as your readers know very well, to meekly submit to be sacrificed on the altar of political expediency. Mr. Howard Vincent is practically in an independent position, and the Government cannot gain anything by openly snubbing him.

Lord Salisbury is really in a very awkward fix. He sees quite clearly that this is a case where the least said the soonest mended. A great deal has been made of the letters of Sir Robert Fowler, one of the City members, and Mr. Bayley White, member for Gravesend, denouncing in language worthy of the most ardent disciple of Richard Cobden any interference with our present fiscal system; but they are not of much moment. For some years past a not uninfluential section of the Conservative rank and file has laboured with tacit assent of its leaders to weaken the stronghold of Free Trade, and it would not be paying a high compliment to its ability if we were to suppose that it had entirely failed to accomplish anything. It is idle as well as ungenerous, therefore, to say that the thousand delegates at Oxford in voting for Fair Trade merely expressed their individual opinions. One gentleman wrote to the papers to say that the association, of which he is a member, merely sent their delegate to Oxford for a "pleasant outing." If that is the object of appointing delegates to the great Conservative Caucus, and gentlemen are to be found willing to accept the position on those terms, well and good. Only let it be known that the annual meeting of the Union of Conservative associations is a huge picnic, and we shall know how to treat its deliberations. But it is a libel on the supporters of Mr. Howard Vincent's resolution to say that they only gave effect to their private views, and although if we are Unionists we may regard their action as inopportune and mischievous, or if Free Traders, as pernicious and heretical, no one can honestly say that they were not in earnest. What must they think of their leaders, and especially of Mr. Chaplin, their former great champion, who has forsworn all his former gods and now looks for salvation from a change in the currency laws which will make it less easy for Indian wheat to compete with the home grown article? Mr. Chaplin's recent appointment to Lord Herschell's Commission of Inquiry into Gold and Silver has clearly not been thrown away upon the member for Mid-Lincoln, or can there possibly be some foundation for the rumour so industriously circulated that his deviation from the paths of fiscal virtue is due to a seductive promise made to him by Lord Salisbury? Whatever its course the *volte-face* is as sudden as it is surprising, and no wonder people are asking "what next"? Fortunately for the party it is not officially committed to "fiscal reform" as it is called, but if it wishes to be relieved from all entanglements some skill will have to be exercised!

Your readers will note the boast of the *Times* that the Liberal Unionists are in the best possible spirits, while the Gladstonians are proportionately depressed. It is true that the former have recently occupied a larger share of public attention than their opponents, and, thanks to the fact that nearly the whole of the London Press is on their side, the Unionists really make a brave show in print. Following the plan it adopted on the occasion of the banquet to Lord Hartington and Mr. Goschen in Dublin the *Times* this morning publishes the names of every person, distinguished or undistinguished, who attended the dinner at the Westminster Aquarium last night. "'Tis pleasant sure to see one's name in print," and it is possibly not without a view to catching votes that this gratification is afforded so often to the more insignificant (I use the word in no invidious sense) of Lord Hartington's following. Unionists, whether Tory or Liberal, are in their generation wiser than Gladstonians, who carry their distain for Social influences a little too far. But yesterday's gathering of Liberal Unionists has given the *Times* another opportunity of pointing out that Lord Hartington's supporters consist of all that is distinguished or even respectable in the Liberal party, Leaving the question of respectability out of the matter, what are the facts about the superior distinction of the Dissentient Liberals? Take, for instance' last night's banquet. Who was there in the long array of noblemen who either attended or wrote regretting their ability to be present who has any special weight with the great body of the Electorate? Only two—Lord Hartington and Mr. Jesse Collings. Of the principal speakers the only genuinely Liberal one was Lord Derby, who, though now praised to the skies by the Conservatives, was not so very long since described by them as being everything that is politically bad. Even a member of the present Government observed of the former Conservative Foreign Secretary that no man was more scorned than his Lordship. The Duke of Argyll and Lord Selborne had separated themselves from the majority of the Liberal party long before Mr. Gladstone pronounced for Home Rule; Mr. Goschen in most matters is more Conservative than the Conservatives; while Professor Dicey gave the world to understand that he had ceased to be a Liberal when previous to the adaption of Home Rule as a plank in the platform of the party he ostentatiously declined to accept honorary membership of the Reform Club.

This is what the Liberals are saying this morning about last night's demonstration. The case of the Unionists, as I have previously indicated, is to make out that there has been a revulsion in the Liberal party since the general election against Mr. Gladstone's proposals. Lord Derby even is reported to have said that in the constituencies especially in Scotland there has been a marked change in favour of the opponents of Home Rule. The *Daily News* for once makes a pertinent remark when it suggests that perhaps Lord Derby has persuaded himself that Mr. Evelyn Ashley beat Sir George Trevelyan in Glasgow by a majority of fourteen hundred. Since the Bridgeton election there has been no opportunity to ascertain the feeling of the Scotch constituencies. The coming contests in Edinburgh and in Dundee will show what justification there is for Lord Derby's rather bold statements. I was talking a day or two to a prominent Liberal Unionist, a Scotchman, though not a resident one, and he expressed the opinion that the Edinburgh seat would be won, or I should say retained, by the anti-Home Rulers. The present members Mr. Buchanan, is, I am told, hopeful of retaining his position, although he has changed his principles. No one affects surprise at Lord Hartington's warning against any hope of the two sections of the party uniting before the next general election, though if that event is to be postponed for four or five years, as some Conservatives predict, no one can say what will happen in the meantime. The members of the National Liberal Club last night wisely decided not to ostensibly identify themselves as a body with either section in the present condition of the party. This decision was arrived at chiefly on financial grounds, and not from any sympathy with the policy of Lord Hartington. The great meeting in the Gladstone Library of the Club last night was very largely composed of Gladstonians, most of whom voted against the adoption of a course which would have led to the secession of the great bulk of the Unionists. The latter were well represented last night, but every speaker without exception was a Gladstonian.

I have only space to call the attention of your readers to the concluding article of the series that has been contributed to the *Times* by Sir William Hunter under the title of "the India of the Queen." Those who were previously acquainted with Sir William's views will not be surprised to see that he approves of the attempt to get one or more natives of India elected to the House of Commons, and that he advocates the introduction of the native element into the Secretary of State's Council.

In well-informed quarters, particularly at the embassies, no support is given to the somewhat alarming war rumours to which I alluded at the beginning of this letter. The information that has reached me this afternoon from influential private sources is practically identical with the reassuring language indulged in by the Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs at Guildford last night.

LADY REAY ON FEMALE EDUCATION.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

AHMEDABAD, DEC. 24.

On Wednesday last, Lady Reay presided at a distribution of prizes to the successful pupils of all the girls' schools in Ahmedabad. This was the second occasion on which her Ladyship had attended such a gathering in that town, and the proceedings were of a most encouraging nature. The building and its approaches were decorated with flags and bunting, a board bearing an inscription of welcome being erected at a short distance from it. The bungalow is the residence of Bai Shri Rupalibai of Sanand and Koth, and a *shamiana* was erected in the compound for the accommodation of the girls as well as the ladies who were invited for the occasion. A chair of silver was provided for Lady Reay on a raised platform, while Bai Rupalibai occupied a seat to the right of her Ladyship. The attendance of a large number of European, Parsi and Hindoo ladies formed a brilliant assemblage. A military band, which was stationed at the entrance to the Tankshal, played the National Anthem on the arrival of Lady Reay. Her Excellency was received at the entrance by the owner of the mansion, along with other ladies, and was introduced to some of the principal ladies present. Bai Rupalibai read an address in Guzerati, while its English translation was read by the wife of her Karbhari. The address, after a complimentary introduction, ran as follows :—

Generally speaking systematic female education may be said to have sprung up among us a generation ago; but this does not pre-suppose that the women of our community were excluded altogether from ordinary instruction. During the period before the arrival of the Mahomedans in Hindoostan, they occupied a more favorable position in this respect; but the slow assimilation of our customs in the treatment of women with those obtaining among the ruling classes of the time, led to the gradual disappearance of learning among our women. I admire the attitude adopted by the British Government in connection with female education, and I have not the slightest doubt that it will result in the greatest good to the country. We fully recognize the great blessing to the women of India, which is sure to flow from the noble undertaking set on foot by her Excellency Lady Dufferin, and to which your Ladyship has given such valuable assistance. And I can say without the slightest hesitation, that the introduction of female doctors into this country will be the means of saving many lives which are now sacrificed. The women of India ought to look upon Lady Dufferin and your Ladyship as angels sent from Heaven, to assist each other in administrating to a want which they themselves are unable to provide for. May the Almighty reward Lady Dufferin, and all those who helped her and are helping her in her generous work, foremost among whom is your exalted self. In addition to this it is highly interesting to observe that your Ladyship's way of mixing with native women, and desire to fulfil their wants, and be acquainted with their feelings, bespeak your generous mind, good disposition, high education, and noble behaviour, which are qualities that adorn persons of aristocratic birth.

At the conclusion of the address, Lady Reay replied as follows :—

Madam and ladies,—I thank you heartily for your kind reception and for the address which you have just read. It gives me the greatest pleasure to aid the women of India by my humble efforts, either by encouraging education or by endeavouring to provide for them the comfort of women doctors whom they can consult with confidence in their skill and sympathy. As the head of the Cama Hospital in Bombay, we have now one of the most skilled of English women doctors, Miss Pechey M. D., and she is assisted by [illegible] first rate nurses. They are noticeable for cleanliness, cheerfulness and good management, and I beg any of the ladies here present to go over it and judge for themselves when they may happen to be in Bombay. At this hospital we have clever trained nurses, who instruct young women who are admitted for one year's training. At the end of this year these probationer nurses, if they have done well, receive a diploma and are qualified to go to private families to attend to invalids or to take situations in other hospitals in various States. We have just built a residence for these probationer nurses in the compound of the hospital, so that they are always under the eye and care of the superintendent. I am very anxious to induce the Municipalities of important towns and Durbars of Native States to send competent young women to the Cama Hospital to be trained there, to pay for their maintenance during the year's training, and to have the benefit of these nurses for the sick of the towns from which they come. I may mention that the Berar branch of the Medical Aid Fund have sent us a considerable sum towards the building expenses of the nurses' dwelling with the proviso that they may always have two rooms for probationer nurses from the Berars in the quarters of the Cama Hospital. The arrangement has given me more encouragement to persevere in the work than any help I have hitherto received. The idea is practical, and the Cama Hospital is recognized as a medical centre for instruction of nurses under the most competent teaching in India for women by women. I thank you in Lady Dufferin's name for your appreciation of her great efforts and untiring energy on behalf of the suffering women of India. She is a noble, generous-hearted and sympathetic lady, and we ought to help her and the work as far as we can. Bai Shri Rupalibai, I appreciate the efforts you have made in the cause of education which can never be better helped than by those intelligent and cultivated ladies of India, who know the needs of their countrywomen the best. A girl who is well brought up will be a more devoted wife and mother than the girl whose training has been neglected. I wish all success to the whole of the girls' schools of Ahmedabad.

Lady Reay then distributed some of the principal prizes, the remainder having been given away by Mrs. Aston after her Excellency had left. The gathering of ladies was due to the enlightenment of Bai Rupalibai, who takes a great interest in the cause of education. This lady gave lately a sum of Rs. 7,000 towards the Guzerat College Fund, and Rs. 4,000 to the Jubilee Fund, Rs. 500 to Lady Dufferin's Fund, and Rs. 400 to the New English School for Boys in Tankshal.

A distribution of flowers, &c., terminated the proceedings.

Colonel Conway Gordon, who is laid up at Delhi with an affection of the eye, is progressing satisfactorily, and he hopes to be quite well in a month.

It is stated that at the instance of the Finance Committee and of the Government of Bengal, the subject of the equalisation of the rates of travelling allowances to chaplains of the Church of England and Scotland and Roman Catholic priests is now under the consideration of the Government of India. There is also a proposal to reduce the Presidency house rent allowances of chaplains, and it seems that the Ecclesiastical Department will have its share of the delicate attention of the authorities.

The Government of Bengal had referred to the Calcutta Port Commissioners a representation from the Eurasian and Anglo-Indian Association and European and Anglo-Indian Defence Association, pointing out certain difficulties in the way of candidates who wish to compete for examination for the admission of locally selected candidates into the Pilot Service. They represent that such candidates have put in a certificate of two years' service at sea, whereas candidates selected by the Secretary of State are allowed to put in such service on board a training ship in England. The Eurasian and Anglo-Indian Association requests that a training vessel should be provided in Indian waters for training lads. The European and Anglo-Indian Defence Association recommend the establishment of a class for seamen apprentices on board pilot vessels. The Port Commissioners are of opinion that the first proposal is not practicable but support the second suggestion.

The Kidderpore Docks appear to be making steady progress during the quarter ending on the 30th September, in spite of the intervention of the rainy season, a solid advance was made with the tidal basin section, the construction of the east and west walls, and the diversion of the Garden Reach Road and the Dock Tramway. The excavation of the open cutting for the sixty feet lock was pushed on vigorously, and everything was arranged for a start being made with the construction of the timber trenches as soon as the required level was reached. In No. 1 dock the walls were founded for a length of 257 feet, and considerable progress was made with the superstructure. All the land required for the works has not as yet been handed over, but this has so far caused no inconvenience. On a daily average 4,141 persons employed during the quarter, and among these only eight deaths are reported. The total outlay up to the end of September was Rs. 63,82,617, but of this sum Rs. 21,72,719 went for the acquisition

COMMERCIAL UNIONS.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE."

SIR,—I have to-day seen the letter of your London correspondent, dated Nov. 30th, in which he criticises in no unfriendly spirit a letter I wrote recently to the *Times* on the subject of the Commercial Union of the United States and Canada. With much respect for your correspondent, I believe that he overrates the significance of that so-called "agitation." To my mind it appears what the Americans call a "one-man boom"! It originated in the fertile brain of Professor Goldwin Smith; he is a *persona grata* with the *Times*; he writes a number of letters to the *Times* announcing its importance; he airs the subject further in the *Contemporary* and elsewhere. For political reasons it suited Mr. Blake and the Canadian Opposition. Any stick is good enough to beat a dog, and Sir John Macdonald, the Premier, is at least in this respect like Mr. Gladstone; he is at once the idol of a large portion of the nation, and the man most feared and hated by the rest. If the farmers of Ontario can but be fired with the notion of reciprocity, Sir John's "National Policy" will be killed and the good "Grit" times that were before Sir John will return again. So the movement has gone merrily forward till to-day. Professor Goldwin Smith is able to describe his own bantling as "a movement sweeping the Dominion with a force as great as its spontaneity has been remarkable."

In many respects Goldwin Smith is a great man; he is a man of immense energy, logical, a scholar, a man who has the rare gift of "enthusing" those with whom he comes in contact. But he has one failing—his hatred of the late Lord Beaconsfield has grown and is still growing to that point where his sense of the fit proportion which belongs to British citizenship has become warped and degraded. Because Lord Beaconsfield was dominated by every kind of Imperial sentiment—by his imagination of the growth and future of Greater Britain, by the absorbing desire that some federal relation should bring all the scattered parts into one harmonious whole, Professor Goldwin Smith hates the very name of the Expansion of England. In every page he writes this sentiment is uppermost. Destroy the imagination of the Nation, isolate the parts, separate localities, anything, everything, give Canada to the United States, throw the Province of Manitoba into the American Union, rather than admit even the possibility that Hudson's dream of Oceana, that Disraeli's Pan-Anglican Imperialism may ever come to be realised. There is the Irish question to-day. Probably a Council of the Empire might so modify the constitution, might so decentralise while yet federating, that Ireland might become prosperous and contented. But the bare suggestion of such an arrangement, what an outrage it appears to the Oxford Professor.

There are a thousand reasons why Commercial Union between the United States and Canada is improbable. In the first place it could only be accomplished by putting Ottawa entirely at the disposal of Washington; the Canadian tariff on English and all other imported goods would have to be assimilated exactly to the fluctuating tariff of the United States, at a moment, too, when the question what disposal to make of an immense surplus revenue is occupying the exclusive attention of the politicians of the Great Republic. It is clear that were the tariffs of the two countries, dissimilar in any respect, English goods would pass into the United States *via* Montreal, or into Canada *via* New York, Boston or Portland. But it is unnecessary to multiply objections. Queen Elizabeth once summoned the Mayor and Aldermen of Coventry to appear in London to explain why on the occasion of her progress through their city they had failed to bring her the city keys. They, in defence, alleged fourteen valid reasons, the fourteenth being that there *were no keys*; and similarly with this question of Commercial Union, when all is said and done, when Professors have finished elaborating schedules and constitutions, it will be found that Congress and the Nation, sixty millions strong, will not hear of it. And while the movement for Commercial Union is one-sided and abortive, the movement for a complete fusion is probably fifty years off. If during those fifty years, possibly only twenty, England has not been able, by some system of Imperial Federation, to adapt her constitution to the requirements of the crisis, then, indeed, we are likely to lose our whole Colonial Empire, and not Canada only. And that the basis of such federation could be commercial it would, no one doubts who has any knowledge of Colonial requirements. What Canada and Australia are fairly entitled to say to the mother country is this: "We are your best customers. The *per capita* consumption of English goods in the United States is very small; with us it is very large. Therefore protect our exports to your markets at the expense of the United States. The less you buy from the States and Russia the more you can buy from us and India; and the more you buy from us the more we can buy from you." More important still to the Colonies is the fact that by discriminating in favour of their produce the mother country will direct the better class of her emigrants to settle within their boundaries, instead of, as now, making a present to the United States of more than two-thirds of all those outward bound. Your correspondent asks "Are the markets of Great Britain more valuable to Canada than the markets of the United States?" I reply, most certainly they are. With the exception of two commodities—fish and timber—the entire range of prices in the United States is to-day lower than in Canada. Canada is actually *importing* United States wheat in spite of a high duty; cattle are quite £2 a head higher in Ontario than are similar beasts in the Chicago market. What Canada expects to sell to the United States, except fish, I cannot imagine, and yet Professor Goldwin Smith, wonderful man, has been able to fire the up-country farmers of Ontario with his own enthusiasm.

Unless, however, the mother country will make a discriminating tariff in favour of Canada at the expense of the United States, there will come real trouble a little later in Quebec and Ontario, just as in the United States the connection of the immense virgin prairies of the west, by railways with the east, flooded the Eastern markets with cheap produce, and annihilated the profit of farming eastward of the Alleghanies, so now the completion of the Canadian Pacific Railway will, in a year or two at most, deluge the markets of Lower Canada with a feast of fat things from Manitoba, the Saskatchewans, and Alberta.

As to the fair trade movement in England, a movement to which your correspondent rightly attaches the utmost importance if it grows into an Imperial issue, federation *versus* free trade or rather free imports, then it will sweep the country which is to-day only too anxious to settle the Irish difficulty—a difficulty which is less National than economic, the result of the collapse of prices brought about by the competition of agricultural produce from the United States. Lord Salisbury appears to deprecate the raising of the question of "Fiscal Reform." If your cable correctly reports his statement at Derby, the Prime Minister considers the result of a return to Protection might be civil war. It is more probable, however, that what Lord Salisbury said was this—that any insistence in this direction would break up the Unionist Party, bring Mr. Gladstone and the "Twin Bills" again to power, which again might result in civil war in Ireland. But the action of Mr. Howard Vincent and the Conservative Union at Oxford in bringing the tariff question to the fore, seems to me both timely and consistent. Mr. Gladstone declares that the crisis in Ireland is a crisis induced by National desires too long stifled The alternative to this view is that the crisis is a Price Crisis, brought about by the destruction of Ireland's one industry-agriculture, the result of free imports. Mr. Gladstone's view is intelligible, so also is Mr. Howard Vincent's, but if the Prime Minister has nothing more attractive to suggest than a policy of "Manacles and Manitoba," it is not possible that the Unionist cause can thrive on that!

Your correspondent invites me to "descend to details," but while flattered, it appears to me that any such speculation would waste your space and my time. If Protection in England aims at being a National policy, a policy which will carry forward the Unionist forces to the unity and the sympathy of our races, then it will record its action in detail not by the committal of certain scribes to certain tariffs, but by means of representative meetings of Commissioners in London, Bombay, Melbourne, and Montreal. It would be ridiculous for an individual to prepare a budget of the revenue requirements of Great Britain, India, Canada, Australasia, and the Cape, and to decide off-hand, over an area so gigantic, whether and in what proportion direct or indirect taxation was to the advantage of the district.

There was never an issue the political revival of which has excited the same silly and rancorous illfeeling as this question of the comparative policy and economy of direct *versus* indirect taxation. Mr. Cobden considered free imports a sound policy, and at a time when its advantages have ceased to be evident to the Nation, we are asked to agree that Free Trade is not a policy, but some unalterable principle of Government! And we are either Free Traders, or on the other hand, we are knaves or fools! The Germans are Protectionists, are they knaves? The Americans are rigid Protectionists, are they fools? Has it come to this that a handful of us Englishmen are to arrogate to ourselves a monopoly of the intelligence of the whole world at a time, too, when the symbols of National prosperity and National accord are passing away from us!—Yours, &c.,

MORETON FREWEN.

THE GOVERNOR'S TOUR.

(FROM OUR SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT.)

AHMEDABAD, DEC. 23.

The opportunity afforded by the visit of his Excellency the Governor to Kaira was seized upon by the Municipal Commissioners to present an address. Although the incident was but customary, the address differed from most, inasmuch as it contained nothing in the nature of a complaint and offered no suggestions. The address was presented to his Excellency at the Adalat. His Excellency attended, by Captain Hamilton, was conducted by Mr. Sheppard, the Commissioner, and Mr. Porteus, the Collector of the District. Opening the proceedings, the children of all the schools, who had been located in the hall, sang a welcome in Guzerati. The address was then read as under :—

In the name of the Municipal Commissioners and the inhabitants of the town of Kaira, we respectfully crave permission to offer your Excellency a most hearty and sincere welcome. We trust your Excellency will be pleased not to measure in any way the depth and sincerity of our devotion to the British Throne, and your Excellency as the respresentative of her Most Gracious Majesty the Queen-Empress by the outward marks of demonstration only which we must admit are, owing to several circumstances which we need not take up your Excellency's time by enumerating here, inferior to those brought to view in other places, but let us at the same time most respectfully venture to assure your Excellency that in loyalty and attachment to the Throne and the person of her Majesty the Queen-Empress, we are not in the slightest degree less devoted than the residents of the richest and most intelligently advanced portions of her Majesty's dominions. The town of Kaira, which now numbers a population of 12,062 souls, was once the headquarters of a large military cantonment long before the province of Guzerat was fully brought under the British sway, and till the opening of the Railway occupied a position of commercial importance. Its native industry—the printing of cloths used by the native females, and known as "Salas" and "Saris,"—attracted to it merchants and traders from surrounding as well as distant districts and afforded occupation and respectable means of livelihood, not only to its own inhabitants, but to others also who came to it in search of work. The diversion of the route of trade, consequent on the introduction of the Railway and the competition of English prints have, however, served to deprive Kaira gradually of its importance and its residents of their occupation. The only monuments, now in existence, of its former importance, if we may so call it, are the large and expensive buildings, known as the Collector's Kachery, the Adalat and the Camp Church. Once more, before concluding, we beg to express our sincere gratitude to your Excellency for having, with great personal inconvenience and trouble, honoured our humble town with a visit, which we recognize as one of the striking examples of the interest your Excellency always takes in every part of her Majesty's dominions coming under your Excellency's rule, and of the anxiety your Excellency invariably evinces for the welfare and advancement of her Majesty's subjects, who have the good fortune of enjoying your Excellency's vigilant administration. And we earnestly pray that her Most Gracious Majesty the Empress, who so mercifully and justly rules over us, may, by the blessing of Providence, be long spared to us, and that

Mehta, Rastamji Edalji (Sir J.)
Mehta, Rastamji Phirozeshah
Merchant, Abdulhusain Badrudin
Merchant, Chhotalal Karsandas
Merchant, Chhotalal Premji
Merchant, Pranjivandas Narayandas
Meyer, Jacob
Mhasker, Balkrishna Vaman
Minasvala, Hussainbhai Ahmedbhai
Mirajkar, Datto Narsinh
Mirza, Ratanji Rastamji
Mistri, Baputi Kavasji
Mistri, Kavasji Manoherji
Mobedjina, Sorabji Manoherji
Mogre, Ramrao Anant
Mone, Venkatesh Hari
Morris, Behramji Bemanji
Motivala, Bejanji Dossabhai
Motivala, Dadabhai Rastamji
Motivala, Pestanji Kavarji
Mowdawalla, Karshedji Manoherji
Mudliar, Dattatraya Damodar
Mulla, Fardunji Dadabhai
Munshi, Sorabji Ardesir
Munshi, Jamshedji Behramshah
Munshi, Purshottamdas Yajichand
Nadkarni, Dattatraya Bhaskar
Naik, Anandrao Sadashiv
Naik, Shamrao Balkrishna
Nagarkatte, Ramchandra Santappa
Nakhoda, Gulam Yessen Gulam Mustapha
Namjoshi, Gopal Balkrishna
Namjoshi, Vithal Mahadev
Nanal, Bhaskar Ramchandra
Nanavati, Darasha Pestanji
Nanavati, Manekshah Pestanji
Nariman, Dinshah Temulji
Nariman, Homji Dorabji
Nelson, Cosserat
Padhye, Bhagvant Appaji
Painter, Darashah Bamanji
Palekar, Dinanath Sadashiv
Palkhivala, Dadabhai Rastamji
Pande, Sundar Nilkanth
Pandit, Narayan Ganesh
Pandit, Raghunath Shankar
Pandurkar, Khushel Narayan
Panse, Abaji Tukaram
Panthaki, Bamanji Kaikobadji
Paradkar, Vasudev Sitaram
Parekh, Chhaganlal Brijlal
Parekh, Edalji Bamanji
Parekh, Erachshah Ardesir
Parekh, Mulraj Panachand
Parekh, Parbhudas Bhaidas
Parekh, Vithaldas Ishver
Pastakia, Mancherji Ratanji
Patankar, Damodhar Amritrao
Patel, Balubhai Keshavram
Patel, Barjorji Navroji
Patil, Vinayak Sadasiv
Patkar, Shamrao Sakharam
Patki, Krishnaji Raugnath
Patuck, Framji Shapurji
Patuck, Kalikoru Sorabji
Patvardhan, Dinkar Balvant
Patkardhan, Ganesh Ramchandra
Patvardan, Mahadev Vinayak
Pavry, Sorabji Palanji
Paymaster, Cavashah Sorabshah
Pilgankar, Dattaram Vasudev
Pimple, Vasudev Ramchandra
Pinto, John E A
Popat, Khushalji Pestanji
Power, Mancherjee Govind
Powar, Charlu
Pradhan, Keshav Vaman
Priya, Kanjee
Purohit, Vinayak Purshotam
Rabadeyasing, Vijayak Bhimsingh
Rajroo, Sayaji Peerji
Ramde, Raghunath Shankar
Rana, Kalkhosru Nanabhai
Rao, Manchershah Manekji
Rele, Narayan Purshottam
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Abbayankar, Sadashiv Govind
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Anaikr, Hari Narayan
Athalye, Balchandra Mahadev
Athavle, Lakshman Sadashiv
Avasty, Purshottam Raghunath
Babras, Narayan Gopal
Bailly, Bertha Constance
Bakle, Vishtaman Ramchandra
Bakhle, Sadashiv Ramchandra
Bal, Dhondo Govind
Bapat, Vishvanath Ramkrishna
Barve, Govind Vithal
Barve, Narayan Raoji
Barve, Parshuram Vasudev
Bhalerao, Pandharinath Bapuji
Bhave, Dattatraya Trimbak
Bhide, Gopal Raghunath
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Chitale, Vinayak Narayan
Clifford, Bertie
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Corkery, Herbert Edward
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Davar, Shavakshah Kavasji
Deshmukh, Dvarkanath Ganesh
Deshmukh, Kashinath Govind
Deshpande, Keshav Lakshman
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Dikshit, Shivram Shridhar
Divekar, Damodar Gangadhar
Dongre, Vinayak Hari
Gadgil, Ganesh Bapu
Gadre, Krishnaji Lakshman
Ganpule, Vishnu Ralvant
Garde, Kashinath Khanderao
Ghate, Sitaram Dinkar
Godbole, Balvant Yadneshvar
Gokhale, Damodar Vithal
Gokhale, Ramchandra Ganesh
Gokhale, Vaman Ramchandra
Gupte, Bapuji Khanderao
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Jitekar, Purshottam Balvant
Joga, Bhaskar Damodar
Joga, Vinayak Shivaji
Joshi, Dattatraya Gopal
Joshi, Krishnaji Vasudev
Joshi, Lakshman Govind
Joshi, Narayan Vinayak
Joshi, Shankar Daji
Kale, Trimbak Gangadhar
Kamat, Janardhan Ganesh
Kanitkar, Pandurang Sitaram
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Karandikar, Sadashiv Narayan
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Khedkar, Kishnaji Vithal
Kokil, Yeshvant Vaman
Konar, Balaji Jivaji
Kulkarni, Gopal Krishna
Kulkarni, Rango Govind
Kurne, Vishnu Sitaram
Lele, Vithal Ramchandra
Limaye, Krishnaji Pandurang
Mate, Ramchandra Ganesh
Mauskar, Trimbak Sadashiv
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MacDonell, William F
Mehandale, Bhikaji Ragunath
Mehandale, Khandu Chintaman
Mehandale, Mahadev Balkrishna
Muddebihalkar, Ramchandra Govind
Nachane, Vaman Ramchandra
Nadkarni, Vithal Gangadhar
Naik, Keshav Balvant
Natu, Keshav Bhaskar
Nene, Gangadhar Gopal
Palkar, Krishnarao Gajananrao
Paranjapye, Narayan Mahadev
Paranjapye, Ramchandra Mahadev
Parasnis, Vafudev Raoji
Pataskar, Vinayak Vaman
Pendse, Narayan Balvant
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Phadake, Mahadev Ramchandra
Phadake, Ramchandra Sakharam
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Ranade, Govind Mahadev
Ranade, Nagesh Dattatraya
Ranade, Shripati Govind
Rege, Vishram Narayan
Romer, Rastamji Dorabji
Sahasrabudhe, Savalaram Shridhar
Sardesai, Balkrishna Bhikaji
Sathe, Ganesh Balkrishna
Shroff, Jekisandas Pranjivan
Soman, Ganesh Kashinath
Thakar, Narhar Ganesh
Thatte, Vasudev Sadashiv
Tole, Narhar Govind
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Upasnal, Baoji Balkrishna
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Vatve, Gopal Govind
Vaze, Krishnaji Vinayak
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Bhat, Amritlal Ramchandra
Bhat, Trimbakrai Chhagalal
Bukhari, Imdadhusen Bendeali
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Chhatrapati, ManilalChhotalal
Dalal, Jamsetji Kharshedji
Dalal, Kavasji Manekji
Dasuri, Behramshah Shapurji
Desai, Jayashankar Dhanshankar
Desai, Jugalbhai Govindrai
Desai, Karshan Jeshing
Desai, Mugatlal Jametram
Devatia, Harkha Keshav
Dikshit, Keshavlal Miratram
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Ghandhi, Mohandas Karamchand
Ghandhi, Virji Manordas
Gogari Hirashankar Udeshankar
Khandelwal, Ganesh Ramchandra
Khidkikar, Krishnaji Eknath
Kilidar, Manmohandas Bhagvandas
Kinarivala, Parbhudas Nagardas
Korde, Gopal Balvant
Kothari, Devchanji Ratanji
Kothavala, Dosabhai Manekji
Kothavala, Merwanji Hirjibhai
Kothavala, Phirozeshah Ratanji
Lalit, Damodar Vinayak
Marathe, Narayan Bhikaji
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Mehta, Harilal Chaturbhuj
Mehta, Jamnadas Gangaram
Mehta, Javerchand Jeshing
Mehta, Keshavlal Madgaulal
Mehta, Lallubhai Pranlal
Mehta, Madhavlal Naranbhai
Mehta, Mahashankar Durgashankar
Mehta, Mohanlal Mahashankar
Mehta, Shankarlal Keshavlal
Mehta, Umedram Utamram
Modi, Mervanji Kavasji
Modi, Nagindas Davarkadas
Munshi, Thakorlal Chimanlal
Oza, Maniram Dolutram
Pandit, Dhimat Navalram
Parikh, NandlalTarachand
Parneria, Pranlal Abheram
Patel, Jethabhai Vaghjibhai
Patel, Motibhai Bhikhabhai
Raval, Manishankar Parshottam
Risaldar, Alijankhan Shahajahankhan
Shah, Keshavlal Dolatchand
Shah, Lallubhai Asharam
Shah, Narottam Khemchand
Shah, Parshottam Ranchhod
Shroff, Chunilal Motiram
Shukla, Dajibhai Narangji
Talati, Harilal Mathurdas
Tendle, Gopalrao Ramkrishna
Thakore, Manilal Pranlal
Thakore, Manilal Umedram
Thanavala, Navroji Kharshedji
Trivedi, Balkrashanashankar Vishnushankar
Trivedi, Tribhuvandas Kalidas
Trivedi, Uttamlal Keshavlal
Vora, Bhudhardas Behechardas
Vora, Mahipatrai Vishnurai

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Ainpur, Naro Venkat
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Alpajakati, Tamaji Krishna
Anikhindi, Bhimrao Appa
Apte, Ramchandra Moreshvar
Arabatti, Ramchandra Balachirya
Arkasli, Kallappa Virappa
Athani, Balvant Subrao
Athani, Pandurang Narayan
Badami, Siddo Timaji
Badgandi, Shrinivas Venkatesh
Bagalkot, Venkatesh Bhimrao
Balkundi, Shamaji Bhimrao
Bapat, Trimbak Krishna
Basargekar, Ramchandra Sakharam
Baturkar, Vishnu Lakshman
Bendigeri, Shrinivas Balajirao
Bhadbhade, Shivram Govind
Bothe, Hanumant Venayak
Chinnalgi, Krishnaji Narayan
Chitnis, Bal Shivram
Cingit, Venkatesh Shrinivasrao
Dante, Narayan Ragunath
Datar, Sheshagir Tirmalrao
Datar, Trimbak Balvant
Desai, Govind Sakharam
Deshpande, Balkrishna Bhimaji
Despande, Bando Govind
Despande, Krishnaji Govind (Dh.)
Deshpande, Sitaram Bhimaji
Devdhar, Lakshman Krishna
Dharmadhikari, Vishvanath Ramchandra
Dhavle, Narhari Lakshman
Dravid, Shrinivas Trimbak
Gajendragadkar, Gopal Lakshman
Ghate, Gopal Pandurang
Gokhale, Gundo Narayan
Gudi, Svami Shrinivas
Gutikar, Vajirao Ramji
Hanabarhatti, Ramchandra Gopir
Haveri, Himaji Gopir
Haveri, Ramchandra Venkatesh
Hombal, Yellappa Sankappa
Honnatti, Rajerao Ramchandra
Hotanhalli, Ramchandra Gopal
Hulkop, Venkatesh Yalgurd
Hulkoti, Venkangowda Nagangowda
Itavedekar, Mahadev Balvant
Jalihal, Shrinivas Rangrao
Jamkhandi, Gopal Bhimrao
Joga, Gopal Daji
Kale, Dhondo Sadashiv
Kalghatgi, Balram Anant
Kalkar Hari Bapujee
Kashikamat, Anant Babaji
Kittur, Virbhadrappa Sidhappa
Kodolikar, Mahadeo Appaji
Kulenur, Gurunath Bhimaji
Kulkarni, Keshav Kando
Kulkarni, Krishnaji Dadaji
Kulkarni, Narayan Timaji
Kulkarni, Narso Vithal
Kulkarni, Rango Raghavendra
Kulkarni, Vishnu Bhaskar
Lele, Nagosh Mahadev
Lele, Pandurang Mahadev
Manoli, Vishnu Ramchandra
Maralihalli, Krishnaji Narsinh
Maralihalli, Ramchandra Narsinh
Marathe, Narayan Keshav
Modak, Ganesh Balvant
Mutalik Desai, Balaji Hanmant
Naik, Shrinivas Krishna
Nata, Krishnaji Raghunath
Nesargi, Shankar Rudro
Parasnis, Janardan Appaji
Patil, Fackirgovda Sivangovda
Pendse, Vinayak Gangadhar
Phadnis, Bhimaji Shesh
Phadanvis, Vishnu Shiva
Puneker, Ramchandra Bapuji
Sabuis, Venkatesh Narso
Samant, Jagannath, Moreshvar
Shahade, Ganesh Daji
Shurpali, Narayenrao Narsinh
Sondi, Nilkanth Bhimrao
Sovin, Shivram Krishna
Tavildar, Tamaji Ramchandra Parshotam
Tavildar, Dattatraya
Vaze, Krishnaji Ballal

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Advani, Bijasing Harising
Advani, Hussamal Murijmal
Advani, Hiranand Santokram
Advani, Mohanlal Davlatram
Bhavnani, Tekchand Tolaram
Bhojvani, Hashmatrai Alumal
Chandanani, Jivatram Pritamdas
Chichrai, Holaram Bhiramal
Colley, Kate E
Galvala, Phirozeshah Bejanji
Harisingani, Tillumal Vishindas
* Hasan Musakhan
Henderson, Arthur
Hunt, Ernest
Jaindani, Khiamal Mohanlal
Lalvani, Jivatsam Alimchand
Lalvani, Khanchand Partabrai
Lakhumalani, Divansing Chartsing
Mahatani, Deumal Avatrai
Mahrotri, Nihalchand Khushiram
Mahtani, Hotchand Tekchand
Malani, Tarachand Himmal
Malani, Jethanand Nihalsing
Mansukhani, Parmanand Tejumal
Minvala, Phirozeshah Ratanji
Mirchandani, Kundanmal Rijhumal
Mirchandani, Shevakram Jhamandas
Motvani, Vadhumal Hashmatrai
Nagrani, Hotchand Motaram
Navani, Dalpatrai Jethanand
Navrosjina, Jamsh edji Sorabji
Puranic, Vasudev Gopal
Sethna, Rastamji Dorabji
Soda, Tikamdas Tulsidas
Sonpar, Naraindas Vishandas
Thadani, Mulchand, Rochiram
Zobel, Samuel
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ERRORS IN FORMER LISTS.

Fifteen candidates, whose names were inserted amongst those who had passed, need not be specified here. But the following forty-six candidates, who passed the examination, had their names omitted in the unauthentic lists :—

Haevai, Mervanji Kavasji
Jamboosirvala, Antoldas Hurgovandas
Jayavant, Luxman Bhasker
Jhaboola, Hormusji Jevanji
Jogulkur, Wasudeo Ramchander
Joshi, Amarji Kanji
Joshi, Balkrishnadas Bhagwandas
Joshi, Balkrishna Waman
Karmarkar, Anant Sadashiv
Ranade, Raghunath Shunker
Shah, Jivandas Petamber
Shah, Motichund Oodavji
Skinde, Raghunath Madhev
Spooner, Richard
Surti, Sorabji Rustomji
Thatte, Narayen Ganesh
Chitale, Venayek Narayen
Kulkarni, Rango Govind
Unde, Anant Krishna
Lalit, Damodhur Venayek
Mehta, Sankerlal Kessovlal
Moti, Merwanji Kavasji
Shah, Purshotum Runsor
Ainpur, Naru Venkat
Almapur, Hanmunt Krishna
Alnavur, Venkatesh Ramrao
Alola Vibhuti, Gundo Narayen
Kittur, Virbhadrapa Sidhapa

PRIZES AND SCHOLARSHIPS.

The undermentioned prizes and scholarships have been awarded :—

Nusserwanjee Nanabhoy Boyce, the Bai Manekbai Jeejeebhoy prize.
Duttatray Govind Juvekar, first of the Jugonnath Sunkersett Sanscrit scholarships.
Murzban Cooverjee Coyajee, the Ellis prize.
Rahmim H. Samuel, David Sassoon Hebrew scholarship.
Abdoola Yoosoof Ali, Cowasjee Jehangir Latin scholarship.
Dwarkanath Ganesh Deshmookh, second Jugonnath Sunkersett scholarship.
Hassan Moosa Khan, Sir Frank Souter scholarship.

A VERY favourable order for the encouragement of Mahomedan education in Assam has been passed within the past year by the Chief Commissioner. It is that a junior scholarship shall be given to each Mahomedan boy, being a native of the province, who passes the Entrance Examination from an Assam school, and a senior scholarship when he passes the First Examination in Arts. One of the particular recommendations of the Education Commission was that special encouragements should be given to Mahomedans to seek the benefits of modern education, and it is especially desirable that inducements to that end be held out to them in remote provinces like Assam. The Mahomedans are a race possessed of much latent power, and capable of exceptional development, were they once to emerge from the shell of their exclusiveness and join in the march of progress which the steam-engine and the printing press have made one for all the world.

CHRISTMAS DINNERS.

On Sunday last Christmas was celebrated in Bombay with the usual festivities. In the harbour the ships were dressed in honour of the day, and the festivities in which sea-faring men most delight were indulged in to their heart's content. On land, the usual Christmas dinners were provided at some of the public institutions of the city.

THE SAILORS' HOME.

The assistance of the charitably-disposed citizens is not needed here; for the annual dinner at this institution is provided at the expense of the men and officers who partake of it. The entrance and vestibule of the Home were gaily decorated with palm leaves, evergreens, and festoons of graceful foliage and flowers; and the shield of the Home was placed conspicuously on the ground-floor near the main staircase, where it made a pretty show. About forty officers and men sat to dinner in the afternoon. A good substantial meal, consisting of beef, mutton, turkeys, fowls, &c., was provided, and it was washed down with a pint of beer and a glass of brandy for each men. Sweetmeats and pastry were not wanting; and tobacco and pipes were also supplied. The men enjoyed the good treat provided for them; and expressed their obligations to Mr. Lauder, the Superintendent of the Home, who had been most assiduous in his exertions to make Jack as comfortable during the day as was practicable under the circumstances.

THE STRANGERS' HOME.

The inmates of the Home, situated in Love Lane, Byculla, were treated on Christmas Day to three substantial meals, breakfast, dinner and supper, by the kindness of Captain Walshe, the honorary secretary and treasurer of the Society. The Home, which was tastefully decorated, presented a very gay appearance. The dinner was a good one, consisting of joints of mutton, beef, and pork, roast ducks, puddings of various descriptions, cakes, fruits, &c., and a bottle of beer also a pound of tobacco to each man. Captain Walshe visited the Home during the dinner hour, and the men expressed their gratitude to the Society for its benefits to them, and especially for the dinner. Mr. Kobke, the Superintendent of the Home, was also heartily cheered and thanked at the close of the dinner for the interest he had taken in the entertainment of the strangers located in the Home.

THE GOVERNMENT WORKHOUSE.

The Europeans at the Government Workhouse, Byculla, of whom there are at present a good number, obtained their annual treat on Christmas Day through the liberality of those who had responded to the appeal of Captain Walshe, the Governor of the Institution. The men were supplied with three good substantial meals during the day, and were further treated with a bottle of beer and a supply of tobacco for each man, and they expressed their gratitude to their well-wishers. The breakfast was excellent. The dinner consisted of joints of roast beef and mutton, a pig roasted whole, fowls, boiled bacon, with potatoes and vegetables of all varieties in season. Cheese, cakes, and fruits were supplied in abundance. The supper in the evening was a cold one with coffee.

MILITARY NEWS.

THE Government of Bengal has recommended to the Government of India the appointment of Major R. C. Sterndale to be Commandant of the Volunteer Reserve Battalion about to be formed in Calcutta.

IN August last we stated that a temporary wound gratuity of £300 per annum, renewable from year to year, according to the subsequent reports of a Military Medical Board, had been granted to Lieutenant-Colonel A.W.L. Anderson, 3rd Regiment Madras Light Infantry, on account of wounds received by him in action in Burma. The other day this officer again appeared before a Medical Board assembled at Madras, and the Board having reported that his recovery was only partial, the Local Government, on the recommendation of the Commander-in-Chief and the Surgeon-General H. M's. Forces in Madras, have sanctioned the continuance, for another year, of the temporary wound gratuity granted him in August last.

AN exchange of battalions has been sanctioned between Paymaster and Honorary Major Bell, 2nd Battalion Gloucestershire Regiment, and Paymaster and Honorary Captain Fuller, 2nd Battalion East Yorkshire Regiment.

A mountain battery, 1st brigade, Quetta district, No.

THE following appointments are made :—27th Punjab Infantry : Captain A. E. P. Burn to be Wing Commander sub pro tem, *vice* Captain C. F. Vyse, seconded. 6th Punjab Infantry : Captain Daniell, Wing Commander, 1st Punjab Infantry, to be officiating Second-in-Command. 1st Sikhs : Surgeon Edwards to the officiating medical charge of the regiment, *vice* Surgeon A. Silcock, transferred to Civil employment.

COLONEL H. J. HALLOWES, 2nd Battalion East Yorkshire Regiment, Commandant, Deolali Depôt, has been appointed an Assistant Adjutant-General of Division, and Colonel W. R. Truman, 7th Dragoon Guards, has been appointed Commandant, Deolali Depôt.

THE Staff pay of the Inspector-General of Artillery in India has been fixed at Rs. 1,400 per mensem, the same rate as for the Inspector-General of Cavalry, in addition to Staff Corps pay of regimental rank.

OFFICERS of the Commissariat Department who may be officiating in higher grades on field service, or who may be appointed to officiate in higher grades while on such service, will receive the Staff pay of their acting appointments under the rules and conditions applicable to officers in cantonments. Temporary promotions will not be made in the room of officers detached on field service, nor will their places be filled up by the temporary appointment of regimental officers to the department, except with the special sanction of Government. When such sanction is accorded, officers eligible for the department will be temporarily appointed thereto; and in the event of prolonged operations, the officers so appointed will be treated as supernumeraries, under the rules which govern the appointment of officers to the department, to be absorbed as vacancies occur within the authorised complement of the department.

SIMILAR orders have been issued for the promotions and transfers of warrant officers and non-commissioned officers of the department when on field service.

THE Government of India have sanctioned the movement by railway of the following depôts :—Of the 2nd Battalion, Royal West Surrey Regiment, from Cawnpore to Umballa; the 5th Bengal Infantry from Dinapore to Lucknow; and the 27th Punjab Infantry, from Moradabad to Bareilly.

ON the arrival of the 1st Bengal Infantry at Banda and Nowgong, the wing of the 3rd Bengal Infantry, divided between those stations, will return, by route march, to regimental head-quarters at Saugor.

THE appointment of Examiner in Hindustani, Madras, has, under the authority of the Secretary of State for India, been added to the list of appointments qualifying a lieutenant-colonel of the Staff Corps or Indian Army for promotion to the rank of colonel under the Royal Warrants of the 10th November, 1881, and 10th June, 1884.

HER MAJESTY'S GOVERNMENT have approved, as a temporary measure, of the appointment of officers from British regiments in India to the Staff Corps without restriction as to length of service or of regimental duty, provided they are under twenty-five years of age and are otherwise qualified in accordance with the rules published with clause 165 Indian Army Circulars 1884.

VOLUNTEERING in Calcutta is looking up. No fewer than 776 Volunteers turned out for the guard-of-honour on the arrival of the Viceroy. The Presidency Corps are also proud of their officers having won the inter-regimental match (No. 31) in the Bengal Presidency Rifle Association. The highest possible individual score was 110; the best man in the Calcutta team made 98, and the average for the four who shot was 90. Tall shooting.

THE following alteration in language rewards has been published :—"Rewards of £200 for proficiency in one of the following languages—Arabic, Russian or Turkish—will be granted to a limited number of officers who obtain eight of the total marks laid down in para. 4 of G O 12 of 1887. Officers who have been granted this or a similar reward from any source will not be eligible for a second reward for the same language."

HONORARY MAJOR JOHN ROBERTSON, C.I.E., Assistant Accountant-General, Military Department, retires from the service on the 31st instant, with the honorary rank of Lieutenant-Colonel, but will remain employed in the Accounts Department until the 29th February, 1888. It is reported that he will be granted a special pension of £500 per annum. No one will envy him his good luck, for no officer in India ever made himself better liked by superiors and inferiors than John Robertson has done. He has been a tower of strength to the Department. It is currently reported that he will be succeeded by an outsider, who is now serving in the Civil Accounts Department, in which case there will be an intelligible howl.

GENERAL ROBERT HUME is likely to return to active service in the command of the British Forces at the Cape,

DISTRIBUTION OF PRIZES AT THE ST. PETER'S SCHOOLS.

THE Hon. Mr. Justice Scott presided on Thursday evening at the annual distribution of prizes to the successful pupils of St. Peter's Schools, Mazagon. As in former years the proceedings took place in the boys' school-room, which as usual was very well filled, or rather filled to overflowing by those who attended to witness the prize-giving. There was again a musical entertainment which preceded the distribution of the rewards to the boys and girls. As was remarked by the President the singing throughout was very good. Master H. Sykes was particularly deserving of praise for his solo, "The Gates of Heaven," which he sang in a very sweet voice. He, however, would have been more deservedly applauded if he had put a little more expression into his rendering. He quite brought down the house, if we might say so, and many would feign have had it over again. The girls, to the accompaniment of Miss Maunsell, sang the trio, "Once again the day," in a sweet way. They were decidedly superior to the boys, who immediately after sang a quartette, "A cold frost came and over her grave." The boys gave ample proof that a play-ground was much needed for them, to give them the means of expanding their chests and lungs, for it was painfully noticeable that they were as weak-voiced as the girls. The carol, "The three kings," by two of the teachers, Messrs. Witley and Coco, and Master Sykes, to the accompaniment of Master Wilfred Dymond, was well sung, though the chorus of the school children was very weak and straggling. This brought the entertainment to a close. Father Page then read the following report —

"This has been, on the whole, a year of prosperity for the school, the attendance having been considerably better than in any former year, and the numbers on the register larger. The average attendance for the has been 80 being 11 more than last year, and the number on the register is 93, of these 43 are day scholars. The attendance has been very regular and satisfactory throughout the year, with the exception of the present month when, owing chiefly to sickness, there have been many absentees. The school was inspected in the month of November by the Government Inspector. This year, it ought to have been examined for a new grant, but for certain financial reasons the Government examinations, which hitherto have been held every two years, are in future to be held not oftener than once in five years; while in the other years the schools will be inspected. This change has not been to our advantage, as the grant of Rs. 1,803, which the school obtained by examination in 1885, would, in all probability, have been increased this year by some Rs. 500, but we shall have to content ourselves with the old grant for four years longer. The Inspector has not yet sent us his official report, but at the time of his visit, after carefully testing every standard, the Inspector pronounced the teaching throughout the school as "very excellent" and the order and discipline "very good." In his official reports the Inspector states :—As regards my inspection I tested most of the standards on some subject or other, and I am very glad to be able to state that the general result showed that the school is under careful and efficient management. I was especially struck with the keen interest taken in the work by the head-master, and the manner in which he succeeded in communicating that interest and zeal to all in the school, both teachers and boys. The result was that the boys were orderly and keen, and that there was a smartness and accuracy shown in difficult subjects like history, geography, such as could only be obtained in a well-disciplined and well-managed institution. The reading and writing throughout the school were excellent. It is now many years since I first inspected this school, and it gives me great pleasure to be able to note the advance it has made since that time both in numbers and efficiency. I consider it now to be a thoroughly well-managed school in which boys, whose home association are often not those most fitting them for the battle of life, are receiving a sound and useful education in body, mind, and morals. The school has also been recently examined by the Rev. Dr. Evans in religious knowledge, and he reports that the teaching of this subject is very satisfactory in all classes and under all heads with no exception. One class did not satisfy the examiner in one subject. On the whole, the head-master and his staff have every reason to be encouraged by the present state of the school, both in regard to the numbers on the rolls and to the general proficiency of the classes. The head-master feels grateful to Mr. Edwards and to the teachers generally for the diligence and zeal they have displayed in assisting him in his work."

After reading the above report of the head-master of the boys' school, Father Page referred to the want of a play-ground for the boys. So far they had been unable to use the compound adjoining the school-room, as it was too narrow at all times and during the monsoons the ground was exceedingly marshy. They had, however, taken up the matter, and steps were being taken to give the boys a good compound. Extraneous aid was, however, necessary, and Father Page was confident that an appeal to the friends of the school and the public would not be made in vain for such an object. In addition to the play-ground there were two more class-rooms necessary to be attached to the one already existing. They were most anxious that this extension should be completed before the monsoons, and Father Page hoped that all the friends of the school would also do their utmost to help on the work. He had yet to mention one more scheme—and still larger than any of those referred to—that they had to undertake, and that was the building of a new boarding-house. He did not know what would become of them road had to be made over the site of the dhurrung, and the landlord might at any time call on them to vacate, and where they were to house the teaching staff and the boarders, who numbered forty boys, the management did not know. There were no suitable houses in the neighbourhood, and they were, therefore, obliged to build a new house. The scheme, as he had said, was a large one, and the estimated cost from the plans which were being made was about Rs. 53,881, but he did not see why, when other communities were able to build churches and chapels, the members of the Church of England could not come forward and help them when sorely in need. The sum was very large, but the work was most necessary, and what was to be done they really had to do. If they had only pluck enough they could and would succeed. Father Page thought that with the play-ground, the extension, and the new house, all their arrangements would be complete. (Cheers.)

Father Page then read the report of the girls' school. The number of girls on the roll were 139, of these 37 were infants. The average attendance was 109. The Government grant amounted to Rs. 2,472, and as for the boys they had to content themselves with the same sum for the next few years. The lady who examined the girls in their needle-work pronounced it excellent. She had no hesitation in saying that the teaching must have been, indeed, good that had made the children, even the little ones, able to produce such a creditable show of needle-work. The stitching was beautifully fine and regular, and the oversewing and hemming very creditable. Generally, she walked into the satisfactory, and would compare favourably with that done in any board-school in London. The report concluded congratulating the teachers in the school who had taught so well and the pupils who had learnt so well. (Cheers.) Father Page added that the boys should be glad to hear such a report, as they one day might have their clothes sewn by some of the girls. (Laughter.) Father Page then read the report of the examination of the girls in music. The prizes had been, for the first time, competed for. Mrs. Nixon, the examiner, expressed herself very much pleased with the result of the examination, which showed that the pupils had been carefully trained. In concluding his reference to the girls' school, Father Page read the Educational Inspector's report of his inspection. Mr. Giles stated :—

"I tested every class in the school at the time of my inspection, and have very great pleasure in recording my opinion that the school is in a very high state of efficiency. I give the short notes taken by me at the time of inspection. I do not think that I need add any remarks to those made above, which testify amply to the character and quality of the teaching in the school. But I should not like to close my report without mentioning how much I appreciated the excellent manners and bearing of the children throughout the school, showing as they did that school is to them a place where they are cared for, both bodily and mentally, and are taught to be happy, useful, and good."

The Hon. Mr. Justice Scott, in addressing those present previous to the distribution of prizes, said :—It gave me great pleasure to accept Father Page's invitation to distribute the prizes at St. Peter's School. The music we have just heard—the songs and the recitations—have all been very good, and they furnish us with an index of the general excellence of the institution. I have always thought St. Peter's School one of the pattern institutions of Bombay—and I hardly see how it could be otherwise, when I remember the wise, and kindly, as well as self-sacrificing spirit, which always animates all those who take part in its direction and management. I am especially glad that the girls' school is in a very satisfactory state. The careers in life, which are open to girls, are increasing daily, and a sound education means independence to them far more than it did a few years ago. But still more important is their education as women, who will be heads of households, educators of the next generation, influencers of men's conduct, advisers, counsellors in all the daily concerns of life. A successful girls' school in Bombay is also a most useful example to our native fellow-countrymen. They are still backward as regards the necessity of the education of women. Statistics show that while 14 out of every 100 of the male sex receive some education, not one in a 100 of the girls receive any education at all. I am very glad, indeed, that St. Peter's School should set a good example of what should be done in this direction. However good the school may now be, we must not forget how essential nowadays progress is to the success of a school and its pupils. It is impossible to stand still—we must either go on or fall back in a world that is always moving on. No one can go about in Bombay without noticing the immense progress of the city. A forest of chimneys now rises in its environs; its factories and workshops give employment to many thousands of people; its streets are almost endless, and its hopes equal in number to those of most of the capitals of the world. All this means, of course, that the number of openings to young men and young women are daily increasing. But side by side with this material advance there is an educational advance which is equally remarkable. Employers need no longer be content with lads, who are half taught; they can pick and choose amongst a crowd of appl cants, native as well as European, who have all received a fair education. Now, I have not come here to act as a wet blanket to you and merely to tell you that life is difficult. I have, on the contrary, the firmest belief in the success, of every boy and every girl, who does his or her duty, and does his or her work. All I want to tell you is that you are to put on your mettle. You must work if you want to win. That is the point I wish to enforce, so far as I am able, to-night. The three words I want to put before you in the largest capitals are—Courage, Perseverance, Duty. First, let us take Courage. Never put off a thing because it seems difficult. Believe in yourselves. Of course some scholars are quicker than others and learn more easily than others. Some of them carry off the prizes and others only come in second best. But I have a strong belief that hardly anything is impossible to any one who really takes pains about everything. Do not shirk your work. I could give you endless instances of the success, which comes by steadily, doggedly sticking to what you have got to do. I have always liked Carlyle's definition of genius that it is "only an infinite capacity for taking pains." It was only yesterday that I was reading a biography which was a capital illustration of what I mean. It was the life of a great and good man, Richard Cobden, who benefited the whole world by abolishing the corn laws, cheapening the price of food and establishing beyond doubt the doctrines of Free Trade. Now just listen to his beginnings. His father was a poor farmer in very straitened circumstances. Richard Cobden got his schooling first from an old woman in the village, who knew nothing, and therefore could teach nothing. He next went to school for five years, where he was, according to his own account, "ill-fed, ill-treated, and ill-taught." He then got a small place as a clerk in London, and after working all day, he studied at night until he became a well-educated man. In two or three years his career was checked for a time by the insolvency of his employer. But he soon got work again, rose from the position of clerk in a piece-goods business to that of traveller—and at the age of 25 had saved enough to start independently in a small way. From this point his progress was rapid, and in a very few years he had made money enough to be independent. In the years of early struggle—a struggle that was terribly anxious and severe—he showed a marvellous amount of this quality of courage, which I want all of you to have. He says, writing to one of his brothers, "I wish I could convince you, as I feel convinced myself, that all depends upon your bringing out with spirit the talents you possess. I wish I could impart to you a little of that Bonapartan feeling with which I am imbued: a feeling which spurs me on with the conviction that all the obstacles to fortune with which I am impeded, will, say shall, yield if assailed." The sentence of Cobden's is as good as the famous saying of Lord Chatham, who, when his secretary assured him that something was impossible, jumped up from his chair in spite of his gout and exclaimed, stamping on the ground, "Sir! I trample upon impossibilities." Cobden's allusion to that famous, but bad man, Napoleon Bonaparte refers to a similar saying. When the Government of France was too weak to put down the "mob" in the streets of Paris, they sent for Napoleon Bonaparte, who was then a young officer in the army, about 26 years old. "Will you," said the President, "undertake to defend the Government from attack?" "Yes, I will," replied Napoleon. "Do you fully understand the magnitude of the undertaking?" asked the President. "Perfectly," was the reply, and went on Napoleon, "I always accomplish what I undertake." In three days the insurrection was quelled and Paris was perfectly quiet. Now, returning to Cobden again, success speedily rewarded his efforts, and the first use of his money that he made was to help his father and brothers, and the second use was to build a school at the place where his business was carried on. He entered Parliament, and from the time of his entrance into public life, down to his death, in old age, he gave his whole thought and his whole talent to public business and the public good. Now, I do not mean to say that all of you can become Cobdens, but I do mean to say that you can imitate his courage and perseverance, and that if you do imitate him in those qualities, you will have taken a very long stride towards success in life. And before I leave Cobden altogether, let me beg of you to bear in mind one side of his character to which I only just alluded. I mean his love for his family, his intense devotion to the family life. Never forget, boys, in your success, that blood is thicker than water, and let your first thought always be for your fathers and mothers, your brothers and sisters. I should like every one of you to be able to say, as Cobden did at the death of his mother. 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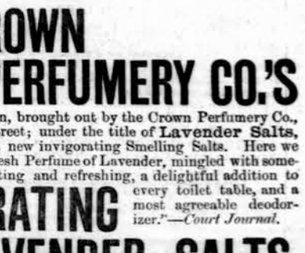

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